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—James McCristal was up from Walton Saturday.

—Geo. R. Ankeny was here from Steward Saturday.

—J. H. and F. E. Dysart, of Chicago, were here Saturday.

—Clifford Hatch came home Saturday for a Sunday visit.

—Martin Wasley was home from Chicago for a Sunday visit.

—Miss Effie, daughter of Judge James Shaw of Mt. Carroll, is ill.

—Mrs. H. E. Paine will entertain ladies with whist Wednesday afternoon.

—C. Leroy Brown will spend today and tomorrow in Earlville trying a law suit.

—The Hospital Board will meet tomorrow (Tuesday) afternoon at 2 o'clock.

—Mrs. B. J. Wheeler of Pawpaw is here to visit with her sister, Mrs. J. H. Thompson.

—The Monday Night Whist club will meet with Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Smith this evening.

—Miss Lottie Fish, of Moline, who has been visiting with Mrs. D. H. Law, Jr., returned home Saturday.

—Vernon Allen of Sycamore was a guest over Sunday of the family of Horace Street on Peoria avenue.

—Mrs. W. H. Smith being absent yesterday, Miss Anna Adams presided at the organ in St. Luke's Episcopal church.

—Two weeks from today, March 22, will be the last day for filing nomination papers for township offices for the April election.

—Frank Bennett's family in the Bend are these winter evenings enjoying peanuts that they raised themselves last year.

—Mrs. Johanna Peterson is suing the city of Rockford for \$10,000 damages. She alleges that she fell on a walk and paralyzed an arm.

—Thomas Eem of Fairfield, who formerly worked at the Fargo factory, has again come to Dixon, to work in the Henderson factories.

—Miss Barge is this afternoon entertaining the Musical club at her home in North Dixon. The program was arranged by Mrs. E. H. Crabtree.

—Miss Barge who has been visiting with her cousin Miss Elizabeth Barge in North Dixon, departs today for her home in Central City, Nebraska.

—Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Morgan have moved from Chicago to Dixon and are living at the home of the lady's mother Mrs. H. J. Scott of North Dixon.

—Stephen Steffen stepped into a hole in a sidewalk at Freeport, breaking and dislocating his ankle, and has begun suit against the city for \$2,000.

—The Guild room in the basement of St. Luke's Episcopal church is completed and is being occupied for service this afternoon for the first time.

—Elder Clark at the Methodist church last evening delivered one of his finest discourses on the subject "All things work together for good to them that love God."

—All interested in the temperance cause should attend the prohibition conference tomorrow. Ladies are especially invited. Rev. Oliver Stewart will speak in the evening.

—The Young Ladies' Auxiliary to the Young Men's Catholic Temperance Society will meet in their hall this evening. All members are earnestly requested to be present.

—Tryon Rosbrook has received at his home in the Bend a pair of thoroughbred Wyandotte chickens from Pittsford, New York. They are of the Peck strain, and are fine birds.

—"London as seen from a Balloon" is the title of a large picture to be used by Rev. O. H. Cessna in his lecture on "A week in London." This lecture will be given tonight at the Methodist church.

—Ferdinand Stutzke, the Como man who carved Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Wilkins last week, has been placed under \$650 bonds to appear at the next term of the Whiteside county circuit court. He secured bonds.

—Next week Thursday, March 18, will be held a public sale at the home of Mrs. Alice Raffensberger, of her cattle, hogs and farm machinery at her home one mile north of Nachusa; sale to begin at 1:30 p. m.

—A public sale will be held Tuesday, by Frank C. Siebolt at his place of residence five miles southwest of this city. Horses, machinery, grain, vehicles, and a great variety will be sold by auctioneer D. M. Fahrney. Sale to begin at 2 p. m.

MRS. BEECHER DEAD.

Special to THE TELEGRAPH.

STAMFORD, Conn., March 8.—Mrs. Henry Ward Beecher is dead. She was the wife of the greatest pulpit orator of the day and has been gradually sinking for a fortnight.

Good Templar Social.

The Good Templar social given in their new hall Saturday evening was a very enjoyable affair. The large hall was crowded, so that after the extra seats were filled there was scarcely standing room at the back of the large room or in the ante room. The program, which was somewhat late in its commencement, comprised a paper from J. H. Moore, giving the early history of Good Templary with reminiscences of the various local lodges; the reading of one of James Whitcomb Riley's humorous poems by Miss Nellie Moore; some excellent recitations by Mrs. Burnham; an interesting exercise in club swinging by Miss Morris; a vocal solo by Miss Reynolds; an instrumental duet on guitar and banjo by Saumby and Grove; and vocal music by the college male quartette and the college choir. Many of these numbers were encored, and after the program baskets of refreshments were fished up from an extemporized fish pond, and a jolly social time was enjoyed till a late hour.

Miller, alias Brown, Captured.

Deputy Sheriff McGowan arrived home yesterday with Samuel M. Miller, who has been wanted in this county for some time. He is charged with horse stealing. Miller was living at Clarion, Iowa, under the assumed name of Brown; had grown luxuriant "Hesing" whiskers that completely hid a depression on his chin that was caused many years ago by a gunshot wound. Miller, alias Brown, did not want to be seen by Mr. McGowan. He barred himself in his room by placing a heavy trunk against the door, and after his capture still declared for a time that he was not Miller and did not know our deputy sheriff. But Mr. McGowan knew him too well to be fooled and the man at last agreed to give up and return to Lee county without requisition papers.

Election of Officers for Y. M. C. T. S.

Yesterday afternoon the members of the Young Men's Catholic Temperance Society elected new officers, or rather re-elected the old officers, to preside for the ensuing six months:

President, William Tague; Vice President, Joseph Whittish; Recording Secretary, George Erwin, Financial Secretary, John Dolan; Treasurer, Patrick Hennessey; Marshall, Fred Toomey; Sergeant, Charles Slaine; Board of Directors, Dr. Nagle, John Ford, Michael Hogan.

A committee was appointed to arrange for an entertainment to be given after Easter Sunday.

An Old Settler Gone.

News was received here by telephone this (Monday) morning that Mr. Daniel C. Levans had died of pneumonia during the night at his home in Lee Centre. Mr. Levans was a highly respected old resident of that village, having settled in Lee County nearly sixty years ago. He had reached the venerable age of ninety years and leaves a wife and large family of grown-up sons and daughters, among whom are Dr. Levans of Lee Centre and Mrs. D. M. Sawyer of Dixon. The funeral will be at eleven o'clock in the forenoon of Tuesday.

Badly Bitten by Dogs.

The Amboy News relates the details of a recent vicious attack by six bull dogs on Alma Vandervolt, a child of twelve years who was terribly lacerated and mangled by the ferocious brutes. The animals belonged to Ellen Scott and Frank Morris, in the western part of Amboy, to which place the little girl had gone to get milk, as she had often done before. It seems that this is not the first time that these treacherous beasts have made such attacks on peaceful parties.

Frank Zuhl's Thirty Peepers.

The friends of Frank Zuhl, who is with H. Camp & Son, were inclined to poke fun at his efforts to construct an incubator. But Frank cheerfully completed his work and loaded the shelves with forty eggs, turned them each day, kept the proper amount of heat and moisture in the box and today his effort are awarded by a flock of thirty pretty little chicks, that will make fine early broilers.

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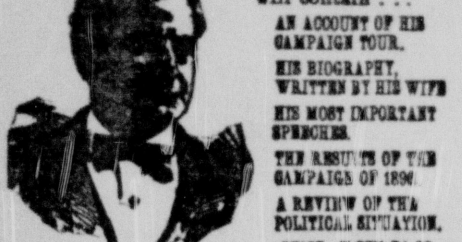
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MANY AT CHURCH.

New President Proves To Be a "Drawing Card."

METROPOLITAN M. E. IS THROGGED

With Washington Citizens and Others Who Wish to See McKinley—Overflow Goes to Hear Talmage—Bishop Newman Preaches a Pointed Sermon on the Influence of Government on Virtue—Reverend Gentleman Utters a Warning to Statesmen—Extra Session Called.

Washington, March 8.—President McKinley attended church on his first Sunday in Washington. So did about 6,000 private citizens who wished to catch a glimpse of him. Although it has been settled that the president is to be a regular attendant at Foundry church, at Fourteenth and G streets, his first church-going was by special arrangement to hear a sermon by Bishop John P. Newman at the Metropolitan Methodist church. The street in front of the church was packed with people two hours before the regular time for service, but anticipating the crush only few holders were admitted up to half-past 10 o'clock. Then the crowd was let in gradually and filled every available foot of standing room from a triple row of chairs in front of the chancel to the back row of the gallery.



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Overflow Went to Hear Talmage. When there was not room for another individual the crowd turned to Dr. Talmage's church, the First Presbyterian, only half a block away, and this was soon filled to the doors, while the street in front of both churches was packed from curb to curb. When service commenced fully 2,000 were left outside. The president drove down from the White House with Mother McKinley and General Osborne. A pew had been reserved near the front of the church and in this with the president's party was Secretary J. Addison Porter and Mrs. Porter. President McKinley bowed his head for a moment after being seated and then leaned back in the corner of the pew waiting for the services to begin.

"Watchman, Tell us the Night." Rev. Hugh Johnson, pastor of the church, assisted the bishop, making the opening prayer and announcing the hymns. In the pulpit also was the Rev. Dr. Manchester, of Canton, President McKinley's former pastor. The first hymn was particularly appropriate, beginning with the lines:

"Watchman, tell us of the night,
"What its signs of promise are."
Dr. Johnson also specially mentioned the president, the cabinet and congress in the petition for blessing in his opening prayer. Bishop Newman's sermon was on the text in the Gospel of St. Matthew, "For he came not to call the righteous, but sinners to repentance." It was rather a pointed sermon on the regeneration of modern society, whose hope, the speaker declared, lay not in government, education, not philanthropy, but in accepting the doctrine and philosophy of Christ.

Pith of the Bishop's Sermon.

He warned statesmen especially to "stand back and not be deluded by the belief that any form of government—autocratic, aristocratic, democratic or republican—could suppress vice and foster virtue to the ultimate health and well-being of the nation." When this warning was uttered there came an audible and devout "Amen" from the corner near the chancel. The presidential party remained until the singing of the final hymn, at the last verse of which they arose, and preceded by two ushers left the auditorium and were driven back to the White House.

CHANGE OF GOVERNMENT COMPLETE

New Cabinet Duly Sworn In—Result of Senate Caucus.

Washington, March 8.—The change of government was completed Saturday about noon by the new cabinet officers taking the oath and assuming charge of their respective departments. The president during the whole day was besieged by delegations who were received, heard and dismissed with promptness and dispatch. Many public men also called, among them Representatives Cannon, of Illinois, and Henderson, of Iowa; Senators McMillan and Burrows, of Michigan; National Committeeman N. E. Scott, of West Virginia; Representatives Milnes, of Michigan, and Ray, of New York, and Powell Clayton, of Arkansas, who is thought a probable appointee to the Mexican mission.

Among the notable callers was also Governor Pingree, of Michigan, and Governor Bushnell, of Ohio, accompanied by Mrs. Bushnell; and a number of other Ohio ladies were present. It was something of an Ohio gathering, the president sharing in the sentiment for his home state.

President McKinley took a long walk through the streets of Washington just before dusk Saturday night and was cheered several times along the way. It was an uncommon sight to see the president swinging along in his democratic fashion, for Cleveland seldom if ever walked through the streets, and not since Grant's time had Washingtonians seen a president joining in the general throngs along the thoroughfares.

Secretary Bliss has reappointed Price Lane, of St. Louis, as private secretary to himself. This is the first office on which action has been taken in the new regime. Mr. Lane is an old friend of Secretary Francis, and the reappointment was unsolicited. William B.

assistant chief of division, and for in the department, has as confidential clerk.

Republican senators remained in caucus an hour and a quarter Saturday, discussing the situation of the parties in the senate. The only conclusion reached was the direction of the appointment of a committee to confer with the parties in the senate relative to vacancies on the senate committees. Allison was made chairman of this advisory committee, with power to name other members. It was made evident to the Republicans that they did not have an organized majority as the parties now stand and there was no one who could assure the caucus that votes could be expected from either the Populist or silver Republican parties.

OFFICES THAT WERE LEFT OVER

Come to the Republicans, Having Failed of Confirmation.

Washington, March 8.—A large number of nominations failed of confirmation in the senate during the second session of the Fifty-fourth congress, among them that of pension agent at Detroit, Levi T. Griffin. There were also 102 postmasters. The following are some of them:

Illinois—John Beard, Danville; Julia Buckmaster, Alton; Adam A. Funk, Rantoul; Mariellus Keene, Atlanta; William A. Melody, Waukegan; Charles Raymond, Evanston; David Shunick, Alexis; Henry W. Booth, Sheffield; Charles W. Merritt, Winnetka; Charles A. Keyes, Springfield.
Iowa—Edward M. Wilson, Buffalo Center; Z. T. Carroll, Rolfe; A. C. Blohm, Walnut; John F. Huntington, Oakland; Peter F. Raymond, Dyersville; M. J. Kelly, Parkersburg; D. H. Kerby, Seymour; John R. Lucas, Rockwell City; G. F. Colcord, Sutherland; George A. Crane, Dexter; Alva Humeston, Humeston; A. J. Brundage, Nora Springs; Richard H. Mobley, Williamsburg; Miss Ino Yowell, Sidney.

Michigan—Albert C. Cross, Bangor; Joseph Gauntlett, Milan; John P. Gerardy, Durand; Gilmore Campbell, Schoolcraft; George H. Gilbert, Reed City; Blandina Hickok, Flint; Edgar Nichols, Benton Harbor.

CALL FOR THE EXTRA SESSION.

New Congress Is to Assemble to Talk Tariff Monday, March 15.

Washington, March 8.—President McKinley Saturday afternoon issued a proclamation convoking congress in extra session Monday, March 15. The proclamation in full is as follows: "By the President of the United States of America. A proclamation: Whereas, public interests require that the congress of the United States should be convened in extra session at 12 o'clock on the 15th day of March, 1897, to receive such communication as may be made by the executive;

Now, therefore, I, William McKinley, president of the United States of America, do hereby proclaim and declare that an extraordinary occasion requires the congress of the United States to convene in extra session at the Capitol in the city of Washington on the 15th of March, 1897, at 12 o'clock, noon, of which all persons who shall at that time be entitled to act as members thereof are hereby required to take notice.

"Given under my hand seal," etc.

[Signed]

"WILLIAM MCKINLEY."

"By the president,"

"JOHN SHERMAN,"

"Secretary of State."

Ex-Representative Conn Sued.

Washington, March 8.—Stilson Hutchins has filed a bill in equity against ex-Representative Charles G. Conn, of Indiana, former proprietor of the Washington Times, to have rescinded a contract he made with Conn last December for the purchase of the paper. He asks the court to decree that Conn convey to plaintiff the real estate given in exchange for the paper. Hutchins represents himself as willing to deliver to Conn 9,238 shares of stock of the publishing company and two promissory notes aggregating about \$120,000, the latter being given for indebtedness of the company to Conn. Hutchins alleges in his complaint that Conn made certain representations to him which were not true.

Queen Lili Wants to See McKinley.

Washington, March 8.—Among those who called at the White House Saturday, but did not see the president, was Julius Palmer, ex-Queen Liliuokalani's private secretary, who bore an autograph note addressed to the president expressing the desire of the ex-queen for an audience with the president at the earliest possible moment.

Want Trees and Plants Inspected.

Washington, March 8.—The national convention of State Horticultural and Agricultural societies has decided to recommend the passage by congress of a bill providing for the inspection and treatment, when found infected, of trees, plants and nursery stock.

House Democrats in Caucus.

Washington, March 8.—Representative Robertson, the secretary, has called of the Democratic members of the house of the Fifty-fifth congress to meet at 3 o'clock next Saturday afternoon in the hall of the house of representatives.

Signed the "Third Bridge" Bill.

St. Louis, March 8.—Ex-Mayor Stephens, of East St. Louis, has received a telegram from Representative Murphy, of Illinois, announcing that ex-President Cleveland signed the "third bridge" bill before his term expired. This has caused rejoicing, as it was understood that the bill had been defeated by a "pocket veto." The "third bridge" bill provides for the construction of another bridge over the river between St. Louis and East St. Louis.

Cases of Scovel and Scott.

Havana, March 8.—The correspondent of the Associated Press is informed on the highest authority that the cases of Sylvester Scovel, correspondent of the New York World, and Charles F. Scott, the two Americans imprisoned in Cuba, will be settled in a satisfactory manner in five or six days.

Stevenson Passes Through Chicago.

Chicago, March 8.—Adlai E. Stevenson, reached Chicago Saturday night from Washington, accompanied by his wife. They remained in the city until this morning, when they left for their home in Bloomington, Ills.

Another Anglican Goes to Rome.

London, March 8.—"Father" Martin, of Oxford, has been received into the Roman Catholic church.

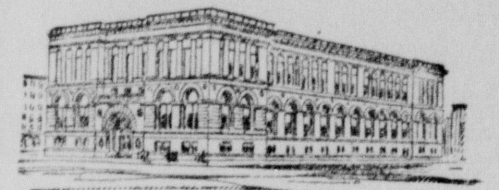
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BIG BLUNDER OF YOUR UNCLE SAM

Will Cost Some Chicago People a "Whole Lot" of Money and Perhaps the Property They Thought They Owned—Fifty Million Dollars in Land and Building Improvements Involved and There May Be a Claim on the City Library Site.

Chicago, March 8.—The great McKee land-scrip case involving the title to 163 acres in the very heart of the north side, has been decided by the commissioner of the general land office in favor of the holders of the scrip, Mathias Benner, of Chicago; Harvey M. LaFol-



CHICAGO PUBLIC LIBRARY.

lette, of Indiana, and others. The land and improvements thereon are worth \$50,000,000, and the decision is said to be the most important ever made by the government land office or the interior department. This is the claim of the attorneys for Benner et al., but a dispatch from Washington, while not denying or affirming the alleged decision, says that the Chicago news cannot be "straight" as the orders at the interior department were to do nothing in the case until further orders.

Public Library Site in Danger.

Owners of every factory, warehouse and dock, every store or residence between St. Clair street on the west, Chicago avenue on the north and the lake and river on the east and south are, according to Commissioner Lamoreux's finding, trespassers and squatters. Bullen's warehouse and other immensely valuable dock properties are left without apparent title to the land they occupy. The decision also indirectly affects all the land south of North avenue and east of North State street. Moreover, the Valentine scrip, somewhat similar to the McKee scrip, and which has been filed on the public library site, takes an alarming strength with this decision. The decision is dated Feb. 20, but was not made public until last Saturday, when it was received by the Chicago attorneys of the scrip-holders.

Present Occupants Only "Squatters."

Charles Bary, a lawyer for the scrip-holders, said: "This is virtually a final adjudication of the matter. An appeal will lie to the secretary of the interior, but only on errors of record. He will not again go into the merits of the case, as was done by the general land office. The supreme court has not been in the habit of reviewing the decisions of a government department. The commissioner has found, first, that the area in dispute was United States government land, and second, that the United States had parted with their interests to the applicants of the scrip. The present occupants of the land are squatters, and they are not divested of property rights because they never had any."

UNCLE SAM MAKES A MISTAKE.

But Private Individuals Have to "Pay the Freight."

Two things contributed to the plight in which the men who thought they owned this land are placed. One was the carelessness or intentional omission of a government surveyor back in 1821 to include the tract east of what is now St. Clair street in his survey. It covered thirty acres then, but has grown to 163.22 acres. The other thing which has caused so much trouble was the generosity of the United States congress in giving the children of Colonel McKee, a Mexican war hero, a quarter-section apiece, to be located "upon any vacant land of the United States." And land is "vacant" until Uncle Sam sells and surveys it, even if it is covered with soap factories and docks; so Mr. Benner and his associates, who acquired the rights of the McKee heirs from Louisville banks, were happy Saturday.

Mathias Benner was once chief of the Chicago fire department. H. M. LaFollette is ex-superintendent of instruction of the state of Indiana, and between them the ex-fireman and the ex-school teacher stumbled on what they considered a "good thing" down in Kentucky last year. Part of the McKee scrip had never been used, being of no great value until Senator Blackburn had the original act amended in 1889 so that the scrip holders themselves instead of the president of the United States could do the locating. Some of the heirs borrowed money on the scrip to help educate their children and Benner got it from the banks for \$37,000. He now has a pretty good title to property worth more than as many millions, as the land alone is estimated at \$16,000,000, the improvements being worth twice as much more.

Benner and his friends filed their claim last summer, alleging that the tract was government land. The case was bitterly fought on both sides on its hearing before Commissioner Lamoreux. Twenty-five lawyers appeared to represent the many interests involved, among them being John G. Carlisle, Charles Bary, N. D. Parkhurst, E. R. Bliss and Peter J. Somers, of Milwaukee. Secretary Carlisle came into the case after it had been argued. The decision of Commissioner Lamoreux is considered a remarkably clear and logical document. Each step is supported by numerous precedents, which are cited, and the reasoning and conclusions seem almost irresistible.

The Newberry and Ogden estates formerly held title to and still own much of the land affected by the decision. In speaking of future action in regard to the titles E. W. Blatchford, president of the Newberry Library association, said: "I have not as yet been notified by our attorneys of this decision, but if the land commissioner has decided against us you may be sure that we will not surrender our rights without a struggle. The case will be appealed to Secretary of the Interior Bliss and if he decides against us we will go still higher to the supreme court."

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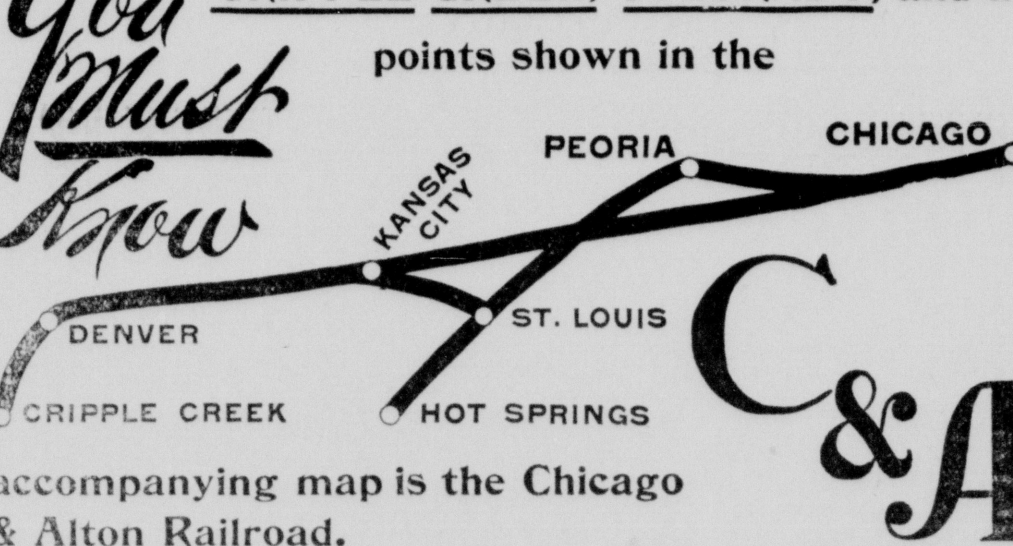
THE ENTERPRISE...

We open this morning an exposition of up-to-date Household Goods, as complete and correct as the best facilities can make it. Only an equally extensive patronage could warrant such a bountiful provision for the seasons selling. Below we treat part of this department more in detail, and quote evidences of our determination to make lower prices than quoted elsewhere on equal qualities.

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2 qt. Plain Tin..... 7c	
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8 qt. Copper Bottom..... 35c	6 qt., Heavy Tin..... 9c
	8 qt., Heavy Tin..... 12c
Tea Kettles.	Dust Pans.
No. 9 Copper Bottom..... 29c	Japanned..... 5c
No. 8 All Copper..... 69c	
No. 9 All Copper..... 79c	Stove Lifters.
No. 8 All Nickel..... 79c	Bronze..... 1c
No. 9 All Nickel..... 89c	Pronze, Fancy..... 2c
	Nickel Plated..... 5c
Flour Sifters.	Spoons.
1 1/2 qt. Size..... 7c	Nickel Plated Teaspoons..... 3c
2 qt. Size..... 8c	Nickel Plated Teaspoons..... 2c
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CRISIS IS AT HAND

In the European Imbroglio Over the Isle of Crete.

GREECE'S REPLY IS DUE TODAY. Reports from Athens Continue to Indicate That It Will Refuse to Accede to the Demand of the Powers—Some of the Expected Grounds of Refusal—Situation Recognized as Being Extremely Critical—War-Cloud Very Dense.

Athens, March 8.—[Copyright, 1897, by the Associated Press.]—The answer of Greece to the identical notes of the powers was discussed at a meeting of the cabinet yesterday. It is reported that the reply is a refusal to recall the



KING GEORGE OF GREECE. Greek fleet and troops from Crete, on the ground that the recall would be a signal for pillage, incendiarism and murder. The complete text of the note will not be known until it is presented to the ambassadors of the powers today. In diplomatic circles it is said that the Greek answer may lead to negotiations based upon a proposal for co-operation which has been presented by France. It is stated that in view of the contemplated negative reply King George has sent orders to Colonel Vassos, commanding the Greek forces in Crete, to hold all the places now occupied by him. The king is still here and the date of the departure of the crown prince for the frontier has not been fixed.

Creteans Should Be Consulted. Though the exact character of the Greek reply is not yet made known it is understood that in addition to the ground of refusal to comply because of the fear of pillage, incendiarism and murder in Crete, the note points out that the Creteans, who alone should be regarded as entitled to determine their fate, have declared their unalterable resolution to be annexed to Greece as the only solution that will finally pacify the island. The situation of affairs here remains grave, although there are a few signs here and there that a pacific solution of the Cretan crisis is yet possible. This is more particularly so in the case of Greece. It is believed that the government is sincere in not desiring to start any conflagration which may spread far and wide.

Gravity of the Situation Recognized. The gravity of the situation is recognized on all sides, and all those interested seem willing to arrive at a peaceful settlement of the difficulties, if possible. Greece is displaying undiminished firmness in her intention to carry out at all cost the programme which she has mapped out for herself in regard to Crete, while at the same time supporting the pacific intentions of her advisers. Advice from Crete say that the insurgents have formed a cordon around Canea and that Saturday evening the insurgents attacked the Turkish positions at Malaxa and Keratidi, where they attempted to destroy the block-house with the use of dynamite. The fighting, however, was of a desultory nature, and yesterday morning hostilities were reported to be at a standstill.

Great Military Excitement at Athens. The trains are bringing in thousands of reserves from the provinces, and these are parading the streets with their accoutrements. Squadrons of cavalry and batteries of artillery traversing the principal thoroughfares to embark for Thessaly give a peculiar vividness to the scene. Great crowds join the soldiers in hurrahing for war and proclaiming loyalty to Greece, to King George and the government. The decree summoning the remainder of the reserves is held back at the last moment. The troops already on the frontier are deemed sufficient for the present; and more than this, it is believed that the presence of the foreign men-of-war near the Piræus indicates that the blockade will commence today, thus severing communication with the frontier by sea.

ONLY ONE TOPIC AT LONDON. Turkish Reply to the Collective Note—Demonstrations for Greece. London, March 8.—[Copyright, 1897, by the Associated Press.]—Little else is talked about in London, in Great Britain, or on the continent, than the eastern crisis and the advancing possibility of a war between Greece and Turkey, which may involve the great powers of Europe. The officials of the foreign office here were busy throughout Saturday night and all day yesterday exchanging telegrams with Constantinople and other capitals. The reply of the Turkish government to the collective note will state in substance that the porte, in taking cognizance of it, declares to the powers its resolve to maintain the integrity of the Ottoman empire, and accepts in principle the establishment of an autonomous administration for the island of Crete; but the porte reserves the right to discuss the precise definition of "autonomy." The agitation of the lovers of liberty in favor of Greece is spreading everywhere in Great Britain, according to reports received from many places. In every dissenting chapel and in many pulpits of churches in London a notice was read urging the congregation to attend the demonstration in Hyde Park at 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon. Though the weather was threatening about 15,000 people were present. They

consisted of all classes, although workmen predominated. Six platforms had been erected for the accommodation of the speakers, and the structures in all cases displayed Greek flags. Among those who addressed the gathering was Lord Coleridge; Harold James Reckitt, Liberal member of parliament; Richard McGhee, anti-Parnellite and labor representative in parliament; John Herbert Lewis, advanced Liberal member of parliament, and other public men, all, however, belonging to the opposition. There were also Rev. Dr. John Clifford and other dissenting clergymen. A resolution was adopted at all the platforms, with cheers for King George of Greece, expressing the strongest sympathy with the Cretans in their heroic struggle against the intolerable tyrant of Turkey, and congratulating Greece upon having by her gallant conduct effected a deliverance which the united powers were unable to achieve.

The resolution further protested against any attempt to coerce Greece and demanded that the Marquis of Salisbury refuse to put the guns of the British fleet to a use which would be a disgrace and a humiliation to Great Britain. While the Hyde Park meeting was in progress a similar programme was being carried out at a mass meeting held in St. James hall, and another took place last evening in Westminster chapel. Every one at all the meetings was urged to shower postal cards on the Marquis of Salisbury on which will be written: "No war with Greece."

CHICAGO GREEKS READY FOR WAR. Quick to Respond to the Call of King George for the Reserves.

Chicago, March 8.—In the little Greek church on the north side 500 trained men of the Grecian army reserve yesterday afternoon swore to return at the call of their king to fight for their native land. Before the oath was given the priest explained to the excited men the appeal which King George sent to the Greeks in America calling upon them to rally to their country's aid. The priest advised the people to arrange their affairs and be in readiness to go as soon as final orders should come. The work of enrollment continued during the remainder of the afternoon and evening all over the city under the direction of five Greek societies. It is expected that a force of 1,500 to 2,000 will be reported in a day or two.

LOSSES BY THE LATE FLOODS. Damage to Highways the Greatest Ever Known—Railways All Running.

Cincinnati, March 8.—While the flood of last Friday is over, the effects of it will be felt in northern Kentucky, southern Ohio, and southern Indiana for weeks. The railroads are all running their trains here as usual, but most of them are by circuitous routes over other tracks. Road-beds as well as bridges were washed away along the Big and Little Miami rivers. The damage to highways is also the greatest ever known including thoroughfare bridges. The manufacturers along the Mill creek valley will be crippled for some time and these include the largest concerns in the suburbs of this city. The Ohio river has done no damage the past week. The flood was limited to a few tributaries here and south of this city, and in that territory the records were all beaten. The damages here and within a radius of 100 miles of this city are now estimated in the millions. The extent of the losses could not be learned at the time because the telegraph wires were down and railway communication was cut off.

Chicago, March 8.—Telegrams from the flooded districts in this state say that the inundation continues and increases. At Alton the river is rapidly rising; at Clay City, the Wabash is booming, being five inches higher than ever known before; at Carlyle the stage of 1892 is considered certain. The losses will reach up into tens of thousands of dollars.

JACKSON AND WALLING BOTH SICK. Two Pearl Bryan Murderers Have the Grip—Walling Still Hopeful.

Cincinnati, March 8.—Scott Jackson and Alonzo Walling, who are now in jail at Alexandria, Ky., awaiting their execution Saturday, March 20, for the murder of Pearl Bryan, are both sick and required the attention of a physician Saturday and yesterday. The mothers of both of the condemned men are with them and will remain with them until the day of execution. The condition of neither one of the murderers is serious, and their symptoms of grip are attributed to the bad ventilation of the jail. Governor Bradley has issued orders for troops to be present at the hanging.

Walling yesterday addressed another letter to Governor Bradley, appealing for executive clemency on the ground that he had no motive like Scott Jackson in getting Pearl Bryan out of the way. Every effort possible is being made to have the sentence of Walling commuted to life imprisonment, but it is generally believed he will hang with Jackson. Rev. Mr. Lee, who has recently figured conspicuously in alleged confessions of the two men, yesterday held religious services in the jail for them.

Michigan Legislation. Lansing, Mich., March 8.—The senate has passed a bill appropriating \$7500 for the Michigan exhibit at the Tennessee centennial exposition. A joint resolution was discussed in the house committee of the whole which provides that no corporation, not even municipal, shall have authority for existence except by a special act of the legislature. It was regarded a measure so important that its further consideration was postponed for the present and 2,000 copies were ordered printed for general distribution.

Senator Appointed from Oregon. Salem, Ore., March 8.—Governor Lord has appointed ex-Senator R. W. Corbett United States senator to fill the vacancy caused by the failure of the legislature to elect at its recent session. Corbett represented Oregon in the United States senate from 1866 to 1872. He is vice president of the First National bank of Portland, and a pronounced gold standard advocate.

Chicago Unions Expect to Win. Chicago, March 8.—The strike agitation that has kept twenty-one allied unions of the Building Trades' council in a state of turmoil since Thursday last subsided yesterday, and the strikers rested to await the action of the employers today. No meetings were held yesterday, but a general feeling of victory was manifested by the men.

ILLINOIS WANTS THE CONTROL. Of the Grain Business at East St. Louis, Instead of Missouri.

Springfield, Ills., March 8.—The state railroad and warehouse commissioners returned from St. Louis, where they held a conference with the Missouri railroad and warehouse commission upon matters concerning the grain department at East St. Louis. Ever since the grain business was established at East St. Louis the board of trade has had charge of the work of inspection, handling, etc. The two commissions decided that the Illinois commission should take steps toward securing control of the work at East St. Louis. The Illinois commission has the matter under advisement. The idea of having so important a business under control of a corporation in an adjoining state, and operated by men whose every interest are connected with other states made the determination of the conference the more strong to break up the practice and have the grain business of East St. Louis controlled by the Illinois railroad commission.

NINE MEN BURIED IN SNOW. Five of Them Recovered Alive, Three Dead and One Missing.

Park City, Utah, March 8.—At 10 o'clock a. m. yesterday a heavy snow-slide started from the mountain peak west of the Morgan mine and struck one of the Daly mine bunk houses, which was shivered into atoms. Five were rescued alive about an hour afterwards. Later in the afternoon the dead bodies of Nicholas Paffis, James Kelling and Nicholas Puffetto were recovered. Joseph Zucca is still missing, and is no doubt dead. John Boyle, A. Blaker and John Whitman were working in a surface tunnel, at the mouth of which the snow was piled up fifty feet high. They worked their way out after several hours.

Mexican Story a Pure "Fake." City of Mexico, March 8.—The story telegraphed to the United States that bitter feelings exist among Mexicans on account of the request for restoration of the flags captured from American troops in the war of 1847, and that American ladies are insulted in the streets is a pure fabrication. No request has been made for the flags nor has any commission appeared from the United States.

Weyler Will Stay in Cuba. New York, March 8.—A Madrid special to The World says: Premier Canovas has again assured the Spanish reporters and the Cuban deputies that the government still has confidence in General Weyler and shares his opinion that the reforms cannot be carried out in Cuba until "the military operations are more advanced."

Chicago Newspaper Founder Dead. Los Angeles, Cal., March 8.—John M. Dandy, founder of the Chicago Saturday Evening Herald, died Saturday evening at the home of his brother, after a brief illness. Several weeks ago Mr. Dandy contracted a severe cold in Chicago and upon the advice of his physicians he came to Los Angeles to recuperate.

Keeps Tab on Inauguration. Galena, Ills., March 8.—Mrs. Amelia Kaiser, who was born the day Washington was first elected president, celebrated her 108th birthday on the day that William McKinley was inaugurated as the twenty-fifth president. She lives in Jefferson township, where her home has been for more than fifty years.

Andrew Carnegie Out of Danger. Greenwich, Conn., March 8.—Andrew Carnegie, who has been seriously ill at his residence here for several days from pleurisy, is now entirely out of danger, and it is expected that he will be up and about the house again in a few days.

Frozen Hydrants and Rotten Hose. Fairfield, Ia., March 8.—Fire destroyed the wagon plant of Turney & Son, causing \$40,000 damage, with \$20,000 insurance. Frozen hydrants and rotten hose rendered the service of the firemen useless.

ABBREVIATED TELEGRAMS.

Desbecker & Co., clothiers, and Desbecker Bros., engaged in the same business, Buffalo, are in financial trouble.

The steamer Cambrian, long overdue, has been towed into St. Michael's Azores. All well.

Eugene V. Debs at Leadville, Colo., in conference with the leaders of the Miners' union in an effort to have the strike declared off.

The South Ottumwa, Ia., bank, a small private institution, has closed its doors. Assets, \$23,000; liabilities, \$17,000. Depositors will be paid in full.

The People's Railway company, of St. Louis, has gone into the hands of a receiver.

The Lowell, Mass., Carpet company's mills, one of the largest in the country, shut down today for one week, owing to the light demand for carpets.

A young man, giving his name as August Gibbs, of Monee, Ills., jumped from a train near Pomeroy, Ia., with suicidal intention. He then slashed his throat and wrist with his pocket knife. He will probably recover.

Mrs. Maggie Kennedy, aged 40, committed suicide at Milwaukee by saturating her clothing with kerosene, and setting fire to it.

The Grand Army of the Republic posts scoring ex-Secretary Francis, of the interior department for abolishing the pension office at Milwaukee.

A. M. Hatherell, principal of the Read district school, Oshkosh, Wis., was convicted of assault and battery in the municipal court and fined \$1 and costs. He had whipped a pupil.

Isaac D. Walker, aged 50, junior member of the law firm of Crea, Ewing & Walker, died Saturday. In November last Charles A. Ewing died, and Hugh Crea, the surviving member of the firm, is hopeless of life in a Chicago hospital.

William Barrett Ridgley, the son-in-law of Senator Cullom, will be the new postmaster at Springfield, Ills., so it is said.

The Weather That Sometimes Comes. Washington, March 8.—Following are the weather indications for twenty-four hours from 8 p. m. yesterday: For Indiana and Illinois—Threatening weather and rain or snow in northern portions; fair, followed by local showers, in southern portions; southeast winds. For Michigan and Wisconsin—Threatening weather and snow; slightly warmer; easterly to southerly winds. For Iowa—Threatening weather and rain, possibly snow in northern portion; southeasterly winds, becoming variable; warmer in eastern portion.

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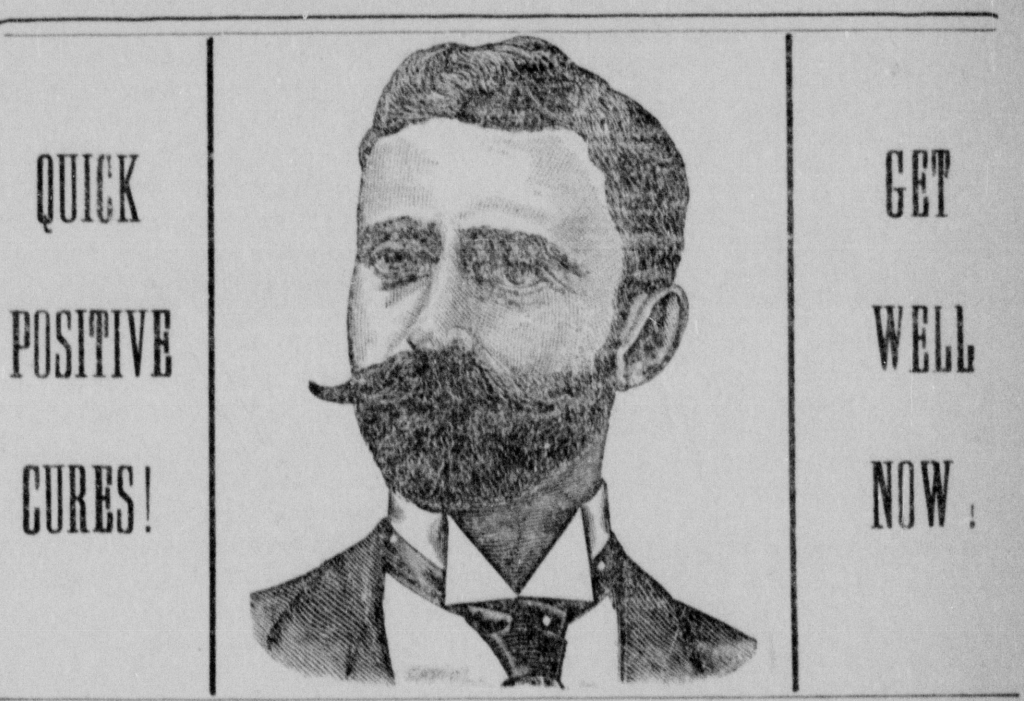
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Here we are in the famous City of Mexico; quite as interesting in many respects as the cities and country we have passed; where farmers irrigate the land by the same sort of an ancient well sweep, with bucket and rope (or pole) at one end and the other weighted down with rock to balance the water, which was drawn from wells about twenty feet in depth and scattered over the land that was plowed with the wooden plow of the time of Moses, drawn by the patient yoke of oxen somewhat after the manner of the ancient Egyptians. There was, however, an antique appearance in the cities we have visited not so well defined in the capital, on account, perhaps, of recent improvements here in buildings; and particularly constant additions of people from the United States and Europe as visitors or settlers. There are over three thousand of our countrymen now in business here and two newspapers printed in English, published by Americans. Our train was halted in the depot of the Mexican Central just after sunset; but in this rare atmosphere, nearer the zenith stars, as we are, than when at Dixon, twilight is very brief and before we could reach the grand plaza for our first evening stroll, the glaring electric lights had utterly scattered any sort of crepuscular romance anticipated. And, furthermore, instead of being greeted by a descendant of some Toltec prince, under sycamores planted prior to the conquest, we met a well-dressed Englishman, aged about seventy years, "from New York City, sir," who opened conversation with much profanity concerning the exorbitant prices charged here for necessities of life, as well as for luxuries. He was here for pleasure. It is true, but he had a young nephew who desired to come to Mexico for business. In New York the young man received \$25 per week; he would come and work for \$30 per month on a free silver basis, and the old gentleman's particular desire at that particular time, as he stood near an elegant bronze statue of a Spanish Queen and flashed a diamond stud in our eyes, was that of teaching a nephew one lesson in economy and contentment. He hoped the nephew would come to Mexico. He could get no work; and if he did it would be about fifty cents per day, therefore in a short time he would ask the old man for money. The uncle gave us assurance upon his "honor and credit," with an emphasis on the latter, that he "would not give him a d—d cent."

When we departed from our new made acquaintance and walked on in the bright electric light of the street we wondered if there is not some exaggeration in the much talked of free silver prosperity to be found in Mexico. Perhaps we shall see later on. But you, reader, desire to know about this strange old city. Well, we have much to say, and will have our say, unless we, or you, become afflicted with that "tired feeling" characteristic of spring and patent medicine advertisements.

We found in our first ramble here in daylight a little sad experience, owing to our lack of knowledge of Spanish and concluded that the city is not so very metropolitan after all. Taking a street car, as we supposed by the nod of the conductor, for the station, we rode until the official motioned for us to alight, and then we found that he had taken our six "centavos" and landed us in a strange part of the city, some distance from the place of our destination. We thought it very easy to find our way out, but alas, upon making earnest enquiry in our worst Spanish, of every shopkeeper, well dressed, clean or otherwise, we found to our sorrow, not a living soul could understand that we desired to reach the "Central Mexican Estation," simply because we could not give the proper pronunciation. However, we finally asked for the Alameda, the Grand Plaza, and was at once properly directed and returned to our starting point.

The streets we passed through were of the old Mexican type, narrow, lined with dingy shops, and filled with burros loaded with alfalfa, straw, wood, quarters of beef, etc., and now and then an Indian with a flagstone dining table, or a lot of furniture lashed upon his back; a beast of burden quite as completely laden as the quadruped. Coming down the street toward us we saw what appeared in the distance to be a vast moving woodpile; the crooked sticks giving to the moving "brush heaps" a reminder of the bad omen that so distressed Macbeth, and we

"Began to doubt the equivocation of the fiend
That lies like truth: Fear not, till Birnam
wood
Do come to Dunsinane."

On near approach we saw that beneath the moving wood was a large drove of little burros.

After a long walk through narrow streets we reached the Alameda, an elegant park in length over a mile; filled with shrubbery, large trees, bronze statuary and that same round Mexican building you all saw at the world's fair. The long stone (or grout) benches, were nearly empty, for the evening was cool.

The climate here is truly delightful, the temperature ranging in the shade from 35 to 90 degrees, summer and winter. Even in summer, when the heat may be 120 in the tropic sun, the nights are cool and during the day a retreat from old Sol's rays may be found in the shade; as the altitude is about 7,400 feet above the sea. The entire plateau which surrounds the city is of the same elevation.

The following Sunday the scene at the Plaza was changed. Then the Alameda was crowded with elegantly dressed "Four Hundred;" and many more of the city. The young ladies and gentlemen did not walk side by side, nor were they permitted to talk with the opposite sex, except on the sly. The young men strolled in groups as did the ladies except those that were married; and now and then a Senior would meet and embrace a friend, adding an earnest patting of the hand upon the back as an emphasis to the greeting. The principal walk through the Plaza on Sunday is covered with a cloth awning and chairs placed on either side; a charge of six "centavos" is made probably to keep out the peons and their rags and dirt. On the opposite sides of the streets from the Alameda are very fine buildings: stores, cantinas (saloons), the old Cathedral which stands upon the site of Montezuma's Castle; President Diaz palace, where he received the editors and, indeed shook hands with Americans, much to the disgust of a Mexican journalist, as we are informed by those who could read his bitter screech the next morning. This palace, a three story marble structure with a frontage of about four hundred feet, an inner court and plazas, still retains in all its mock glory, the late Emperor Maximilian's throne with golden crown hanging above it; and there several editors, with characteristic Yankee impudence, sat upon the chair of state; even that of an Emperor, with a diadem only about three feet above their heads; but it had a string to it.

Near the Plaza is the Iturbide Hotel, formerly the palace of the unfortunate emperor of that name. It is a grand building but we found nothing imperial connected with the dinners we paid for there. The many courses had a tendency to add tone but the royal flavor and aroma were entirely lacking. However, we noticed that the gentlemen lighted their cigars in the grand dining hall of the Iturbide long before finishing their coffee. To smoke in the dining room and at the play houses was the custom; and now and then a Senorita would puff a cigarette with as much apparent pleasure as a Senior.

A mist hangs over the plains of Mexico most of the time and it is not often that the mountains Popocatepetl and Ixtaccihuatl seventy-five miles away, can be seen from the city. We had the pleasure of beholding the extinct volcano on a bright evening, but its snow capped summit was not different from the peaks of the Rocky Mountains. There is hardly a drop of rain here from October to July and then it rains nearly every day. This is characteristic of nearly all of the country.

Cook School in Nelson.

On Friday night, February 5th, a number of Dixon young people enjoyed an entertainment given at the Cook School under the supervision of Miss Betha Myers, teacher in that district. The program was quite lengthy, consisting of dialogues and recitations of a patriotic and humorous nature. Nearly every pupil had more than one recitation thus making the task for them, doubly hard—Robert Sterling, did especially well. The program was interspersed with music. Miss Nellie Gantz sang a solo, "Happy Days," while Mr. Frank Klossowski played a violin obligato, which was greatly appreciated. A violin duet by Will Williamson and Frank Klossowski was enjoyed. H. U. Bardwell entertained the audience with some humorous selections.

John Sterling made a short speech in praise of Miss Myers' work and the way in which she conducted her entertainment, which was indeed fine.

Those present from Dixon were: Misses Edna Carpenter, Nellie Gantz, Mary Morgan, Gwendolin Smith, Messrs. Roland Page, Kimber Rhoads, Ed Godfrey, Will Williamson, H. U. Bardwell, Earnest Farrand and Frank Klossowski.

—The next teachers' meeting is to be held at Amboy on Friday and Saturday, the 19th and 20th inst. County Superintendent Edwards is sparing no pains to make these meetings a wonderful inspiration and uplift in the educational interest of Lee county, and every teacher within a convenient circuit should attend them.

Congressional Measures to Receive Earliest Attention.

The opening of the new administration promises three early results: first, the early enactment of a protective tariff law; second, the early appointment of members of a bimetallic conference which it is hoped may adjust the silver question; third, a return to business activity and prosperity through a permanent settlement for many years at least of these great and much vexed financial questions.

The Ways and Means Committee of the old House is pushing its work upon the tariff bill just as though it was still a committee in fact, although its official existence ended with the drop of the gavel at twelve o'clock on the 4th of March. The assurance which its members had received from President McKinley that he would want the bill ready for a special session of Congress before the month keeps them actively at work on the task and they hope to have it completed within a fortnight.

"We are still under pledge not to discuss the bill in detail" said one of the members of the Committee to your correspondent, "but you are perfectly safe in saying that it will be very satisfactory to the farmers and manufacturers. The latter class, the manufacturers, have not been as extreme in their demands as usual, and we have been able to meet the desires of the farmers very thoroughly and completely, and I think no class of citizens will be better satisfied with the bill when it is given to the public than they. We shall have a bill which will so protect and stimulate manufacturing industries as to greatly increase the home market for the farmer, while it will also protect his interests and open new markets for him abroad by reciprocity."

The Bend School.

At the Bend school the winter term closed Thursday, March 4th. The annual entertainment was given by the pupils, under the supervision of the teacher. Owing to the inclemency of the weather the audience was not as large as expected and many of those participating in the program were not there. The school-room was decorated with flags and made to look as bright as possible. One of the best features of the program was an extract from Julius Caesar, Brutus' speech and Antony's oration were delivered by James Bennett and James Leach, respectively, other school children taking the parts of the citizens. "The Open Door" was recited well by Della Hetler. A prophecy for the Bend, looking forward twenty years, was well written by Libbie Brierton. Every pupil did well. Both teacher and pupils were disappointed in the weather and the entertainment may be repeated at a later date.

A Just Appeal.

EDITOR EVENING TELEGRAPH:—We heartily endorse the calling of a caucus for the nomination of officers to be elected at the April town meeting, for the following reasons: It must be very evident to the Democrats that there is a sufficient Republican majority in Dixon to hold and keep all the offices, if they so wished, but, in a spirit of fairness, most of our elections have been non-partisan in order to give our Democratic friends a chance to secure part of the offices; and frequently have turned in and helped them elect their men. Now in common decency it seems to us that they should show some appreciation and gratitude for favors shown them; but instead, when they have elected a man or two by Republican favor, they must immediately and presumptuously exploit it over the country as "A great Democratic victory." It makes us tired.

SEVERAL VOTERS.

A Persistent Runaway

Young Tice, the small boy of Polo, whose roving disposition is not to be satisfied short of a journey to Florida, turned up in Amboy last week. He was sent home by the authorities, notwithstanding that the boy did not want to go, as he said he would only have that much father to go to reach the land of flowers; and his father did not want him, as he refused to pay for the telephone message or his return fare.

Amboy Gentlemen Serve A Dinner.

Invitations are out for a dinner and musical to be given by the gentlemen of the Methodist church at Amboy, Wednesday evening, March 10 from 5 to 10 o'clock. The gentlemen call the affair a Turkey dinner and propose to run it regardless of the ladies. The committees are:

Reception, J. E. Booth, W. H. Badger, J. E. Lewis, Frank Estey, L. B. Searls.

Walters, C. Holt, F. J. Blocher, Frank Springer, Ben Lewis, Paul Lewis, Frank Brewer, H. Ayres, H. H. Badger, Frank Casey, Will Smith, Harry Hill, Chas. Peterson, H. Conner, Alva Brierton, Fred Wahnke, Ben Flint, Geo. McNinch, Ed. Kreiter.

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20 pcs Fruit of the Loom Cambric, at 7c per yd; sold elsewhere at 9c.
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Cotton Crashes at 2½c per yd
Splendid quality Tennis Flannel at 3½c per yd—better grades 5c, 6c and 7c
Dress Gingham at 5c per yd
100 prs Ladies' Kid Gloves, black or colored, worth \$1 and \$1.25 per pair, at 62c
60 prs Ladies' Spring Jersey Mittens, at 15c; worth 35c per pair.
Ladies' Calico Wrappers at 63c
A full line of Ladies' Ready-Made Dress Skirts including Silks, Novelties, Mohairs and Wools.

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Here is where we save you money.

75 prs Ladies' Dongola Kid Shoes at 95c
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Sold elsewhere for \$2.
300 prs Ludlow & Selz's Dongola, coin or pin toes, lace or button, are worth \$2.50, at \$1.75
48 prs Men's Satin Calf Shoes, coin or needle toes, worth \$1.50, at \$1.00
60 prs Men's Grain Creole Shoes, sold elsewhere for \$1.25, at 95c
40 prs Men's Satin Calf Shoes, Yale toes, worth \$1.75, at \$1.20
30 prs Men's Selz's Top Notch Shoes, worth \$2, at \$1.50
48 prs Men's Selz's Enterprise Shoes, worth \$2.50, at \$1.90
36 prs Men's Selz's Perfecto Shoes, worth \$3.50, at \$2.65
36 prs Men's Selz's Royal Blue Shoes, at \$3.00. This shoe is advertised elsewhere at \$4.00.
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Gents' Furnishing Goods.

Rockford Socks at 5c per pr
10 doz Men's Work Shirts, 25c each
10 doz Men's Unlaundried Shirts, sold elsewhere for 50c, at 39c
Best quality Unlaundried Shirts, sold elsewhere for 85c, at 60c
10 doz Men's Night Shirts, worth 75c, at 49c
New Styles Gents' Fedora and Derby Hats
At prices lower than the lowest.
Good Suspenders at 13c per pair, worth 25c.
A full line of Gents' Laundried Shirts, Collars, Cuffs and Neckwear.

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- \$12.00 Irish Freeze Ulsters at \$8.00

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C. E. GROVE The Baker.

"Come, Sober Up."

The Amboy News, under its new management, in some (we wish we could say in all) directions shows evidence of improvement. In appearance its presents a more readable page, and its editor shows considerable enterprise. Misdirected enterprise or energy, however, is sometimes disastrous. The News of last Friday devotes a large share of its attention to Dixon, and especially to THE DIXON TELEGRAPH, time which perhaps could have been more profitably employed in building up the legitimate enterprises of its city than in vilifying its neighbors. In a lengthy article entitled "Sobering Up," it gives entire our recent editorial on the "Dignity of Labor," with introductory words of strangely mingled commendation and abuse, accusing us in the same sentence of "political debauches and partisan intoxication" and of possessing a "really good, noble and generous disposition." When in the close of his introductory he says that we occupy "the degrading position of a mongrel scavenger for a political party," he shows his teeth in a very imprudent and impotent snarl. After giving its readers our article on one phase of social economy, for which it has our thanks, the News says:

"Now isn't that more readable and efficacious to the welfare of the community and world at large than saying Grover Cleveland and his Democratic followers are thieves and knaves; or that Dixon was the only place on earth where a set of county officials could respectfully and honestly conduct the business of Lee county, and that Dixon intended to retain the court house?"

In this sentence are three implied false statements. THE TELEGRAPH never said that Cleveland and his followers were thieves and knaves; it never hinted that Dixon was the only place on earth where a set of county officials could honestly conduct the business of Lee county; and it never intimated that Dixon intended to retain the county seat contrary to the expressed wishes of a majority of the people of the county. The News finishes its article as follows:

"Amboy and a major portion of the citizens of Lee county have not forgotten the manner in which they were treated last fall by Ben Shaw and Dixon papers in general, as is evinced by the compelled cut in the subscription price of THE TELEGRAPH. They will discover that the cut in price will do them little good, however. The people are acquainted with the mode of procedure unanimously adopted by Dixon and Dixon institutions, and in the future cannot be toyed with as in the past. Cheap bait will work wonders at times, but it cannot be employed successfully employed at all times, and eventually it becomes repugnant. THE TELEGRAPH has left a bad taste, as it were, in the mouths of a major portion of Lee county's populace by its position last fall, and it will never fully outlive it. The stain will live and blight its future prosperity. THE TELEGRAPH has passed its zenith of usefulness and is now on the decline."

"A major part of the citizens of Lee county" outside of Dixon and Amboy, by their vote, showed that they were of the same opinion as THE TELEGRAPH on the county seat question, and as to the "manner of treatment," the Amboy Journal (which certainly exercised as much influence for the removal of the county seat as did the News, which was strangely silent at the time) was not slow to acknowledge the fairness and moderation of the Dixon press in its treatment of the question. If THE TELEGRAPH has passed the zenith of its usefulness, in the estimation of the News it was probably at the zenith of its usefulness when its influence was successfully exerted to retain the county seat where it remains. We would advise the editor to sober up and return to live issues.

With regard to the cut in the price of THE DIXON TELEGRAPH: The first cut in price, from \$2 to \$1.50 a year, was made over a year ago, and it worked so well that we are encouraged to cut again, to the lowest possible figure. The result is already more encouraging than we at first anticipated, and we are inclined to credit the News' ill-meant advertising with a large number of the new subscriptions that have been pouring into our office during the past few days. At the same time, we would prefer to live on terms of courteous amity with all our contemporaries throughout the county.

From Sterling Gazette: William Felker went to Dixon this morning.

Charles E. Grove was down from Dixon today shaking hands with his friends.

G. W. Smith of Dixon was in the city yesterday on business pertaining to the settling of the Ezra Baer estate.

Miss Edith Schock, of Dixon, who has been visiting in Rock Falls and Montmorency for several days, returned to her home this forenoon.

—We should think that Brother Lyman of the Amboy Journal would have his hands pretty full of business just now, between the conduct of the leading paper in that part of the county, the disposal of the Gridley stock of goods, and his vigorously prosecuted pursuit of the postoffice.

—A fine boy came yesterday to Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Doughweiler of Loveland addition.

—We notice that S. H. Spafford is a candidate for postmaster at Amboy, and are pleased to learn that he has the support of many of the influential citizens, as we know him to be a careful business man.

—The ordinance prohibiting driving across the river bridge faster than a walk is being discussed. Mayor Truman says the law shall be enforced to the letter, allowing no single-foot, running-walk or pacing gait. Many citizens are in favor of abolishing the ordinance.

—Last evening Pastor Leland at the Baptist church commenced a very interesting and instructive series of discourses on the "Teachings of Christ." The source of his teachings was considered. Next Sunday evening, the personality of the Teacher and his Disciples will be the topic, and questions on these subjects are solicited for consideration.

—William Donovan and Edward Delaney have purchased the saloon business of Burt Null in the Dixon building on First street and took possession this morning. They are young men who will run the business according to law. Burt Null has had charge of the business since the retirement of his father on account of illness, and he will now employ his time at other business.

—The editor of the Eureka (Ills) Democrat to whom he is personally known, says of Rev. O. W. Stewart, who is to address the temperance meeting in the court house tomorrow: "He is one of the most brilliant orators and brightest thinkers on the American platform today." "His popularity and ability as a minister is not of a local nature."

—The next meeting of the Farmers' Club will be held Wednesday afternoon, March 17, at the residence of Reuben Trowbridge on East Second street. It will be Ladies' Day and the subject, "Pin Money for the Farmers' Wife," will be introduced by Mrs. C. L. Swigart, who will doubtless present it in a way that will bring out much thought and produce a lively discussion. The change in the place of meeting was made necessary by illness in the family of Mr. Dimick.

—James H. O'Brien, who in the recent municipal election received votes in the several wards for police magistrate which were not counted, has, through his attorney, Henry S. Dixon, filed a petition in the circuit court asking that a mandamus be granted; the effect of which, if granted, will be to compel a recount by the judges and clerks of the votes in the several wards and a revised record to be made of the election. Nothing of this kind has ever happened in our city before, and it was through an oversight of a technicality that will not be likely to happen again.

—Mrs. Jacob Trough has reason to bless the Dixon hospital. Seven weeks ago she was taken there by Dr. Blackman for a difficult and dangerous operation. She was the first patient received for a surgical operation, and neither she nor her husband much expected that she would come out alive. She returned to her home today convalescent, and is profuse in her expressions of gratitude to Miss Kane, the matron, and her assistants for their attentive treatment, and is enthusiastic in her appreciation of the hospital appliances for the comfort and convenience of patients.

Run Down by a Team.

The Amboy News mentions a disastrous runaway which occurred at Eldena one day last week, in which very serious injuries were received by Miss Minnie Hegert and slighter hurts by her sister Amelia, who were enroute for Dixon in a buggy. A team which had been unloading grain at the elevator took fright as it passed the gasoline engine, and running west on the narrow pike road, dashed upon and demolished the vehicle in which were the young ladies, passing with the heavy wagon attached entirely over them.

Saluting a Cat.

There is at least one place in the world where the cat was until recently held in high honor and received the attention due to one of so high a station in life. That place is India, where in a fortress the sentries invariably used to present arms to every cat that appeared on the scene.

The custom is accounted for by this singular anecdote, which comes from what appears to be good authority:

Some 50 years ago it happened that a very high English official died in an Indian fortress, at a place that is one of the centers of Brahmanic religion, and at the moment when the news of his death met the sepoy guard at the main gate a black cat rushed out of it.

The superstitious guard presented arms to the cat as a salute to the dying spirit of the powerful Englishman, and the coincidence took a firm hold upon the locality, that up to a few years ago neither exhortation nor orders could prevent a Hindoo sentry at that gate from presenting arms to any cat that passed out at night.—Harper's Round Table.

FOR LITTLE FOLKS.

A LITERARY MONKEY.

The Remarkable Way in Which He Sharpened and Used a Pencil.

The girls and boys of a certain school were given a day's outing at the zoological garden for the purpose of studying natural history from personal observation.

Such fun as they did have, to be sure! There was a great flutter and flurry and a hurried snatching up of wraps and lunchboxes when the teachers came to the door and announced that the cars were waiting to convey them to the garden.

A great many curious and amusing things happened during the day, but little Mary Horton declared that her experience was the funniest of all.

She was standing before one of the monkey houses with a number of other girls and boys who were busy "taking notes," for the pupils were expected to relate their experiences in the form of a composition.

One bright eyed little monkey watched the young students very intently and appeared to be deeply interested in them. Finally he thrust his hand through the bars and tried to reach them. He evidently wanted something.

One of the children handed him a peanut, but this did not satisfy him, for out came the hand again. Mary, who was standing near the railing, leaned over and offered him her lead pencil, saying laughingly, "Perhaps this is a literary monkey who would like a pencil to play with."

But the monkey did more than play with the pencil. He was delighted with it, and it must have been what he was trying to get, for no sooner had he taken hold of it than he jumped over to the wall of his cage and began to make marks up and down the wall.

An amused and approving crowd had gathered about the cage by this time, and the monkey, in the excitement of "showing off" his accomplishment, broke the point from the pencil.

The cunning monkey immediately perceived that the pencil had ceased making marks. He paused, looked at it in a puzzled manner, then came over to the bars where he could have a better light and re-examined it for a few minutes, and then—you will hardly believe it, but it is an actual fact—he seemed to discover where the trouble lay, for he began to bite off the wood with his sharp little teeth till he had quite a long point of lead.

He held it up in triumph to his audience, as much as to say, "Don't I know how to sharpen a pencil?" To satisfy himself that the point was all right he tried it on the ledge. Finding that it wrote again, he turned back to the wall and resumed his scratching.

During his literary labors he broke his pencil five or six times, and every time he did so he stopped and "sharpened" it anew.

When he had the pencil worn to quite a small point, he appeared to think he had distinguished himself sufficiently for one day, for he very gravely returned the pencil, and, giving the delighted crowd a knowing wink, he returned to a corner of his cage.

He could not be induced to repeat the performance, but he graciously condescended to accept a few of the cakes and the peanuts that were fairly showered upon him.—Youth's Companion.

Four Little Blackbirds. Sitting in a row, Playing circus rider With old horse Joe. Daddy in the cotton patch, Singing in the sun; Mamma in the cabin door, Laughing at the fun.



Topay, Cesar, Liza, Pompie, Grinning every way at you, Holding tightly to each other— Wonder what old Joe will do? Old Joe knows just what is coming. See the twinkle in his eye! Pretty soon he'll kick and scamper. Then, my goodness! My! Oh! My! —Chicago Record.

A Clever Kite Flier.

In the year 1880 a bright boy in Washington, who was interested in kite flying, succeeded in keeping his kite in the air for two whole days. Some scientists heard about it and came to the conclusion that if a boy could do such kite flying it could be turned to account for making records of the condition of the upper atmosphere. Since that time a great many grown men have become interested in kite flying, and many new and wonderful kites have been made—kites that will fly out of sight, and kites big enough to lift a man from the ground. And, more than this, prizes have been offered by the Boston Aeronautical society for the best articles on kite flying and kite experiments.

In this way a boy's toy has become an arm of science.

Chinese Boy of San Francisco.

Ah Gau wore a pale blue quilted blouse reaching to his knees, and his sleeves were so long that his hands were rarely to be seen. He had on red silk trousers, loose above, but tightly wound around the ankles, while his richly embroidered shoes were provided with white painted soles nearly two inches thick. A round skullcap, surmounted by a red button, completed this most elegant costume. No wonder he was pleased with himself and proud of his dazzling appearance.—Theodore Wores in St. Nicholas.

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The PLYMOUTH CLOTHING HOUSE. No. 12, First Street, Dixon, Illinois.

The Greatest Era in liberal merchandise is being demonstrated day after day by Dixon's Leading Merchants. It's the topic of conversation who is selling the most sugar or coffee for the Almighty Dollar. We are not selling either sugar or coffee, but we are SELLING CLOTHING CHEAPER than you ever dreamed you would be able to buy Good Clothing and Furnishings. We have no sugar coated baits to offer in any one department. Everything we offer all through our house is a guaranteed bargain or money refunded. We announce with this SALE OF CLOTHING AND FURNISHING GOODS, that for price and quality we acknowledge no competition. Below is a list of the Bargains in the Clothing Line—so extremely low in price as to make 25 lbs. of H. & E. granulated sugar at \$1.00 look mighty out of place as compared with what a Dollar will buy of us in either Clothing, Furnishings and Hats for Man, Boy or Child. Here is where your Dollar goes the Farthest and for Convincing Proof of this assertion requires only a visit to our establishment.

Men's Clothing Department.		Men's Overalls.	
Men's strictly all wool suits, value \$7.50— for this sale,.....	\$5.00	J. N. Ward's Peoria Overalls, regular 75c value, at.....	59c
Men's strictly durable suits; for wear can't be beat; value \$5.00; all sizes 35 to 42—for this sale.....	\$2.98	Regular 50c values at.....	39c
A line of Men's Suits, in beautiful coloring; were \$12.00, now only.....	\$8 00	Men's Pants Department.	
Caps. Caps.		It is always our aim to increase the purchasing power of the Almighty Dollar, and at the prices we sell Pants, it's the height of folly to wear patched ones.	
Golf Caps, for men and boys, in blue and light colors, actual value 25c, all sizes, going now at.....		Cloze from this list:	
All our 50c line of Bicycle Caps, which comprises all the latest things for spring of 1897, at the extremely low price of.....		\$1.00 Pants, nice striped effects, only.....	
Furnishing Goods.		\$2.00 Pants, all wool, fancy black and gray chevrons, warranted not to rip.....	
Gents' Linen Collars, all latest styles, our regular 25c line, at.....		\$2.25 Pants, Reading Cassimere and Washington chevrons, elegant colors.....	
Gents' Linen Cuffs, either link, round or square, at.....		\$2.50 and \$3.00 Pants, bought with the intention of selling them at aforesaid price—our offer during this sale.....	
These are our regular 25c quality.		\$1.50 and \$4.00 Pants, which comprise a line of superior goods, extra fine black Riverside Silk, mixed Cassimere and fine fancy Worsted, all well worth \$4, at.....	
Gents' Fast Black or Tan Hose, actual value 19c, four pairs for.....		\$2.98	

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Pullman Buffet Sleeper every Tuesday
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Announcement of reduced rates for this
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ulars of which can be learned of your home
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From January to May, 1897, inclusive, at ONE
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To certain points South from stations west
of Iowa Falls, Ia., inclusive, on the 1st and
3d Monday of each month; east of Iowa Falls
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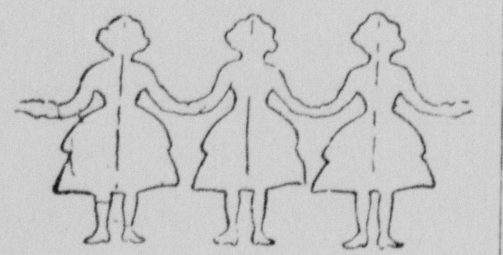
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PAPER DOLLS.

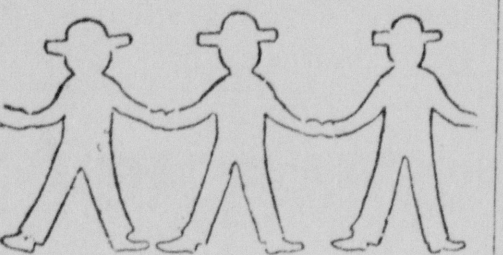
How They Are Made and How a Lot of
Fun May Be Had With Them.

Many years ago paper dolls were not
made in such elaborate and beautiful
styles as they are now. And they were
much more expensive. Today, for a
cent or perhaps for 5 cents, you can buy
a handsomely tinted cardboard lady or
gentleman or boy or girl, each with a
collection of costumes of various sorts.
So we do not have as much fun cutting
paper dollies of newspapers as we used
to do.

In those days, on a rainy afternoon,
when other amusements failed, mamma
would take a newspaper and cut a long
strip, the length of the paper and per-
haps 4 to 6 inches wide. This she fold-
ed once in the middle, then again in
the middle, and again, until the strip
was folded many times. Then she cut
from this what looked like one paper
girl until you opened the strip of paper,
when a whole row of paper children ap-
peared, looking like this:



Or this:



These dollies, as you see, or as some
of you who have seen them before know,
can be cut in all sorts of shapes and
sizes. Big boys and little, tiny girls and
grown up women, soldiers with guns
and sailors can be had, all with their
hands clasped together, if you cut them
the proper way, and whole regiments
just alike.

Then sometimes we fastened the hands
of the end dollies, and, behold, a ring
of them, which could be made to stand
upon the floor! And this amused baby
so much that presently the floor was
covered with dancing rings of boys and
girls, until baby, eager for new fun,
blew them over or kicked them down
with her restless little feet.

Then there were big, comical creatures,
that were cut out to stick upon the ceil-
ing and dance. A long, queer, paper man
or a fat woman was made and a small
hole cut in its head near the top. To
this we tied a cotton thread, and the
other end of the thread was fastened
to a scientifically made spitball. We
became quite expert in the manufacture
of just the proper kind, shape and size
of the spitballs. They had to be of a
good size and chewed soft enough to
stick well if they were intended to hold
up a good sized dancer.

These we threw up, with unerring
aim, climbing upon chairs, beds or any-
thing else that came handy in order to
reach better. One after another of our
paper creatures was thrown up until
they stuck fast to the ceiling and hung
there. Then somebody made them dance
for the amusement of the younger fry.
If Jack or Charlie were the showman,
he took a fan and used it with such
good force that our dangling paper men
and women danced and waved about
in fine style. Sometimes we suspended
them over the registers to make them
dance, and sometimes violently opening
and closing the closet doors produced a
good effect in making the dancers per-
form their gyrations.

My Pony.
A pony's such fun!
I've only just one,
But he'll carry me over the moon,
From the earth to the sky,
In the wink of an eye
And carry me back as soon.

Hot mornings we stroll
From Yakutsk to the pole—
The trip occupies but a minute—
But in winter there's greater
Fun at the equator;
So I skip to the Nile and jump in it.

My pony likes water,
As any horse oughter,
And sails on the billowy sea,
In Eskimo kayaks
Or in pirogues with dyaks,
Just wherever he thinks will suit me.

We've no time to tire,
There's so much to admire
In the strange, faroff lands that we roam,
With Tibetans and Japs
And other odd chaps,
Till supper time summons us home.

We sample all climates,
And even past time it's
So nice to live over again.
So we help the crusaders,
Lick Saracen raiders,
Or sail with Columbus from Spain.

And my pony's so cheap
And so easy to keep,
For he lives without clover or sheave.
Your's Molly? Your's Hero?
Well, my pony's called Make Believe.
—J. L. Heaton in "The Quilting Bee."

Water and Ink Trick.

Fill a couple of wineglasses with wa-
ter. To the one add a very small pinch
of sulphate of iron and to the other a
still smaller quantity of tannic acid.
Stir each well, preferably with a glass
rod or bone spoon, but not using the
same rod or spoon for both glasses. Each
liquid is colorless, but if you take a
tumbler and pour the one into the other
the resultant liquid will be opaque and
black as ink, which, in fact, in a diluted
form, it actually is. Now add a pinch
of oxalic acid and again stir. The black
will gradually disappear, the liquid be-
coming clear and colorless, as at first.

Birdie's Bath.

The canary had finished his bath and
flown to the perch when little Jennie
called to her aunt, "He's ready for the
towel now, auntie."—Youth's Compan-
ion.

Tailor Made Gowns.

The class of gowns which are most
needed in the very early spring, says a
New York fashion writer, is the simple
tailor made type—jacket and skirt. The
very plainest models are the best, the
coat neither tight fitting nor at all loose,
just easy, but without a wrinkle and
cut either double breasted, turned away
slightly at the throat to show the linen
collar or the fancy stock of the bodice
beneath or else open fronted over a nar-
row waistcoat. This, with a silk lined,
perfectly hanging skirt, is all that can
be desired, and a good sum of money
expended on a first class quality of ma-
terial, a silk lining that is now not an
extravagance, is far and away a better
choice than to fritter twice this amount
away in haphazard purchases which in
the end bring no such result for the
money as the first seemingly expensive
gown. No other sort of costume looks
at once so neat, sensible, and it by no
means lacks style. Most women provide
themselves with one or two smart silk
or fancy satin blouses to wear with the
skirt indoors, but it is far better, if pos-
sible, to keep a walking dress exclusiv-
ely for that purpose. On the sample cards
is a new shade in gray that suggests
mauve, and this in tweed or cloth will
make a very becoming and stylish spring
costume.

Zinc "Wall Paper."

Zinc "wall paper" is the latest oddity,
and several residences of the highest
class now building will be equipped
with the zinc papers, which are pre-
pared by a new process so as to exactly
resemble marble. The most beautiful va-
rieties of marble are imitated in such a
manner that the imposture is only to be
detected after a close examination.

The zinc is attached to the wall by a
cement invented for the purpose. The
surface of the zinc is enameled so as to
render it permanent and washable.
Tiles or any other form of mural cover-
ing can be imitated as readily as marble,
and the material is made in a great
variety of patterns.

It is claimed for this new departure
in decorative material that while it is
as permanent as tiles or marble it is
much cheaper and can be as easily put
on as ordinary wall paper. It can be
applied, too, to any surface, whether
flat, broken or round, and any heading,
etc., can be embossed on the metal to
complete a design or panel.—Decorator
and Furnisher.

Only an Incident.

A few days ago I visited a large
foundry on the West Side which turns
out drop forgings of all kinds and heavy
castings. I noticed several Polish girls
carrying rosin across the foundry, tak-
ing the rosin out of one barrel and de-
positing it in another.

"I don't understand the necessity for
that," I remarked.

"It is done in order to harden the
girls' hands, so that they can handle
castings," the foreman explained.

"If we really wanted to transfer the
rosin, a half dozen men could roll those
barrels into place in five minutes. The
girls are not intelligent enough to un-
derstand why they are carrying the rosin
about like that. Every one of them im-
agines that we want the rosin transfer-
red and that there is no other way to do
it than to carry it across the room piece-
meal!" Talk about the conservation of
energy!—Frank S. Pixley in Chicago
Times-Herald.

A Boon For Mothers.

Passing along a quiet suburban street
recently, a city visitor saw a card in a
window bearing this notice:

"Babies cared for while mothers at-
tend church, matinees or go shopping.
Charges moderate."

The stranger stepped in to acquire
some information about a business so
new to her and was met by a pleasant
faced woman, who ushered her into the
room where she was caring for three or
four children. Two were quite young
babies and lay in a crib, contentedly
nursing bottles. The woman said that
scarcely a day passed without her hav-
ing at least one child to care for and
often as many as six, from small babies
to children of 5 years and older. The
mothers brought food for them and paid
5 cents an hour through the day, 10
cents an hour through the evening, thus
gaining leisure to attend church, fairs,
picnics and theaters.—Chicago Chron-
icle.

Clever Captain Clark.

Miss Elizabeth M. Clark, or, as she
is known in the Salvation Army, Cap-
tain Clark, is a rather remarkable
young woman quite apart from her con-
nection with the Salvationists. She is a
great-niece of Bishop Clark of Rhode
Island, the presiding bishop of the Prot-
estant Episcopal house of bishops, and
is the daughter of a clergyman of the
Dutch Reformed church. She prepared
for college at Wellesley, spent three
years at Bryn Mawr and then went
abroad and entered the University of
Zurich, where she devoted herself to
the study of Teutonic philology. While
there she met General Booth and had
her interest aroused in the Army, al-
though she did not join it until some
time later. She does editorial work on
Army publications in addition to her
other duties.

The German Empress.

The Gentlewoman says that almost
all the morning dresses worn by the
German empress are made at home, and
her majesty in this way is able to econ-
omize greatly. When in private, she
likes to be dressed as simply as possible,
and her favorite costume is a serge skirt,
with a pretty blouse and a simple straw
hat. She has, however, one great trial,
and that is a tendency to grow stout.
For herself she would not mind, but
the superior has a horror of having a
fat wife, and the poor empress is obliged
to diet herself and to wear clothes much
too tight for her. This is said to be the
greatest trial of her life, as the emperor
is always advising her what to do and
insists upon her taking an immense
amount of exercise. Her majesty, how-
ever, has still a shapely figure, and she
is less stout than she was a year ago.

RAISES A QUESTION.

The Election of a Woman as Head of the
Minneapolis School Board.

Mrs. Jennie C. Crays has just been
elected the president of the school board
after a service of four years as member
of that body. The people tried Mrs.
Crays as an experiment when they put
her in office, but she proved such a suc-
cess that all doubt of her ability has
long since disappeared. She was voted
into the presidency by the men mem-
bers of the board as a reward for the
faithful performance of her duties. Mrs.
Crays is the first woman to serve on the
school board of Minneapolis. She is an
active clubwoman and the secretary of
the Foreign Missionary society of Plym-
outh church. For eight years she was a



MRS. JENNIE C. CRAYS.
teacher in the public schools, and for 21
years she has been a resident of the city.
She has always been interested in poli-
tics, but has never taken an active part
in campaigns.

An interesting question is raised by
her election to the presidency of the
school board. The person holding that
office is, by law, an ex-officio member
of the library board and the tax levy
board. The latter fixes the rate of tax-
ation. It is claimed that men only are
eligible to membership in this board,
and it is possible that the courts will be
requested to pass upon the matter should
Mrs. Crays attempt to assist in adjusting
the taxes.—Minneapolis Cor. Chicago
Times-Herald.

Woman's Relief Corps.

One of the largest and most influen-
tial societies in this country is the
Woman's Relief Corps auxiliary to the
Grand Army of the Republic. It is a
national organization, having state as-
sociations, county and local unions. It
is composed of the women relatives of
those who fought in the rebellion and
is said to be nearly 500,000 strong.

It is very well represented in the
Greater New York, having clubs or uni-
ons in nearly every section of the terri-
tory. A prominent local union is the
Winfield Scott Hancock corps, No. 160.
It has just gone through the annual
election and installation, which resulted
in a new board of officers, headed by
Mrs. Ada G. Mohr, the new president.
She is also one of the managers of the
State Home For the Wives and Widows
of Soldiers and For Army Nurses.—
Margherita Arlina Hamm in New York
Mail and Express.

The Girls Excelled.

Professor Frederick W. Card of the
University of Nebraska says of that in-
stitution: "It is modeled closely after
Cornell university and conducted along
the lines that have made Cornell so
justly famed. For several years past the
attendance of students has averaged
about 1,500, young women being ad-
mitted on equal terms with young men.
Coeducation has been a success thus far
and has got past the experimental stage.
Some time ago the Phi Beta Kappa so-
ciety was organized in the university.
All collegians know that the qualifica-
tions for membership therein include a
high standard of scholarship. Now, it
happened that, though the young women
of the university were not so numerous
as the males, more of the girls were
able to become Phi Beta Kappas. This
was not the result of favoritism, but
was determined solely by merit."

Dr. Mary E. Walker.

Dr. Mary E. Walker has again begun
to hold levees in the capitol at Washing-
ton. "Time," says the Washington
Post, "has dealt very gently with the
doctor, and her brown hair, carefully
trimmed after the style of a college pro-
fessor, has yet very few silver threads.
Her dress is that of a man, and her
shirts, collars and cuffs are in the lat-
est style. A little red carnation adorns
the lapel of her coat, and her overcoat
has a short cloak over the shoulders,
with a velvet collar. This remarkable
woman owns considerable property near
Oswego, N. Y., which, for the last
quarter of a century, she has been try-
ing to donate either to the government,
to the state or to some wealthy indi-
vidual who will construct thereon a
hospital for the treatment and cure of
consumption and all throat and lung
troubles."

Fabrics For Spring Gowns.

As many women begin very soon
after the holidays to plan for their
spring and summer wardrobes, taking
advantage of the new materials which
are shown in the shops from January
on, colors and fabrics will prove of gen-
eral interest this month, even though
Easter is particularly late this year.
The really important feature of the
spring and summer gowns will be the
favor which is to be extended to trans-
parent materials, which makes the lin-
ing nearly as prominent as the outside
material. The outlook is for bright
colors and the return of many smooth
fabrics for street wear.—Emma M.
Hooper in Ladies' Home Journal.

Miss Temple, Decorator.

Miss Grace Lincoln Temple, perhaps
best known as the decorator of the
Woman's building at the Atlanta expo-
sition, though many handsome houses
in Washington and elsewhere owe their
artistic interior to her, has been in-
trusted with the decoration of Mrs.
Cleveland's new house at Princeton.

Women Growing Still Nicer.

Are women becoming more marriage-
able? Somebody writing in London
Woman flatters them that they are. The
writer declares that they are not so
ready to rush into matrimony certain-
ly, for their lives are no longer stunted
and empty, and they are perhaps inclin-
ed to subject suitors to a little more
mental criticism. Moreover, men are,
happily, not so eager to marry young.
"I think we shall find as the world goes
on more happy marriages to rejoice our
quality of benevolence, for the reasons
that I have just stated are deep and
powerful incentives to happiness. If
only each sex would more fully realize
the honor due to it at the altar by the
other! The nicest, most chivalrous heart-
ed men sometimes say that half their
pleasure in a wife consists in taking
care of her, yet one cannot help agreeing
with the saying of some writer that 'a
woman, in order to give her hand with
dignity, must be able to stand alone.'
The gift is then complete, open hearted
and generous—a meet return for the
honor, grace and reverence which have
been freely paid to her."

Money Making Schemes.

New ways for women to earn money
multiply so constantly that one wonders
if any specialty, however small, may
not be turned to commercial account.
One of the last heard of is that of pro-
viding soup materials. In a neighboring
city a woman who made such very ex-
cellent soups that she was famed among
her friends for them tried, when adver-
sity overtook her, to utilize what she
called her "one talent" to enhance her
income. She took orders for soup stock,
serving it in jars, and found some profit
in doing so.

Amateur photography takes on very
easily the professional money earning
characteristic. Perhaps its newest man-
ifestation is the visiting photographer
furnished by some of the women's ex-
changes, who will come to the house to
take any picture desired, from a wed-
ding cake to the last cozy corner ar-
ranged. Her most frequent models, how-
ever, are the children of the family,
taken in all sorts of poses and against
all sorts of backgrounds.

Embossed Velvet.

Embossed velvet is one of the novel-
ties of the season, and will be worn for
very handsome trained gowns and for
elaborate wraps. It is a quite different
stuff from the old fashioned stiff and
ugly embossed velvet, whose patterns
were usually large, unnatural palm
leaves and queer geometrical designs.

The new ones have moire or satin
grounds, in all the delicate velvet de-
signs being in black, the embossed vel-
vet designs being in one or more colors,
and in a fine graceful trail of vines and
blossoms.

A white moire, delicately traced over
with the embossed velvet, in wood
browns and greens, is charming, as are
pompadour bouquets, in colors and then
striped with narrow bars of embossed
claret colored velvet.

Moire grounds in all the shades of
the ultra fashionable gray are embossed
with black velvet figures and plaided
taffeta silks are splashed with broken
lines of embossed black velvet very
effectively.—New York World.

Cold and Finger Nails.

Many women who have pretty hands
are constantly annoyed in cold weather
by the rough appearance of their finger
nails, caused by the fact that they break
and split.

The intense cold causes the nails to
become brittle, and it seems impossible
to trim them so as to make them smooth.
The possessor of such nails should cut
them with well sharpened manicure
scissors, and the nails must never be cut
or filed unless the fingers have first been
soaked in warm water.

The brittleness may sometimes be
lessened by rubbing almond oil thor-
oughly into the nails and finger ends on
retiring at night. An old pair of kid
gloves must be pulled on.

The housekeeper whose nails break
easily should never stir anything on the
hot range without first slipping on a
loose glove, as the dry heat from the
fire will make her nails more brittle
than ever.

Charlotte B. Long.

Miss Charlotte B. Long of Minneap-
olis has executed some novel work that
is calling forth favorable comment in
her city, and in Sioux Falls, where
she teaches drawing and painting in
All Saints' school. Recently, while
crossing a muddy street in that Dakota
city, she found progress difficult because
of the stickiness of the mud, and, know-
ing it was hard enough when dry, she
gathered up a double handful, took it
to the institution and from it made a
bust. Encouraged by the result of her
first effort, Miss Long produced a num-
ber of other works from the plastic na-
tive soil which are pronounced highly
meritorious.—Woman's Journal.

A Tribute to Mrs. Peavy.

Mrs. A. J. Peavy, the outgoing state
superintendent of public instruction in
Colorado, has received a recognition ac-
corded none of her predecessors. Her
administration has been indorsed by the
State Teachers' association, and the rec-
ommendations sent by her to the legis-
lature have also received the approval
of the teachers in convention assem-
bled. It is generally conceded that no
member of the late administration was
so efficient, so conscientious, or so de-
voted to the general good as Mrs. Peavy.
—Woman's Journal.

Mrs. Livermore Re-elected.

Mrs. Mary A. Livermore has been re-
elected president of the Beneficent So-
ciety of the New England Conservatory
of Music. During the year ending in
June, 1896, the society lent \$1,288 to
24 students, of whom 20 were women.
These loans, in small sums, are made
without interest, and on the understand-
ing that the money is to be returned as
soon as the beneficiary is self supporting.

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WOMAN'S WORLD.

WHY AN OAKLAND YOUNG WOMAN BECAME AN UNDERTAKER.

No Women Need Apply.—The Rainy Day Club—Practical Dress Suggestions—The Girls of '97.—Women in England.—The Puritan Effect.

Miss Bessie J. Wood is pretty, young, bright eyed and rosy cheeked, and altogether unlike the gloomy calling that she has undertaken. There is nothing funeral about her, and she is sincere and earnest in the work that she has chosen. She took up this line of work not from a desire for mere gain, but from an honest conviction that she was doing good in the world to her sex. The young lady (she is but 24 years of age) is the daughter of a minister of the gospel, the Rev. I. D. Wood late of Fresno, but now of Oakland. She desired to do good in the world, and instead of choosing the usual missionary channels into which the children of ministers fall she branched out into something new, and that branching out was into the growing business of the undertaker. The idea of looking for an opportunity to do good in the undertaker's business may excite amusement, but when the young lady explains it the good that she hopes to accomplish becomes self evident at once.

"I have often thought that it would ease the minds of those of my own sex who were dying if they knew that their remains after death would be cared for by one of their own sex," explains Miss Wood. "The idea of having all that is mortal left to the rough, unsympathetic hands of a man to be prepared for the coffin cannot be pleasing to women of sensitive natures, particularly when they are ill and worn with sickness. If



MISS BESSIE J. WOOD.

were known that after the spirit had left the mortal remains were to be cared for tenderly, reverently and sympathetically by one of their own sex, it could ease the minds of many women. With that idea in view I have adopted the calling of an undertaker."

Miss Wood had considerable difficulty in getting established in Oakland, owing to the opposition of the local undertakers. They were not very friendly toward the woman, who might step into their business very seriously, and when she went to them to propound a plan she got very little help.

"When my parents came from Fresno and located in Oakland, I determined to make this work my regular calling," explained the young lady. "I determined that I would not open a regular undertaking establishment, but that I would go to all of the regular undertakers in town and solicit aid from them, offering to take charge of such female cases as they might have in which my services might be desired, at a slight addition to the regular cost of the funeral. I thought that it would really be a help to the undertakers who let it be known that they had a woman assistant. On the contrary, I was discouraged in every way. Only one or two gave me any help at all, and it seems almost as if there was a boycott against me."

"I have issued my cards, however, and styled myself 'assistant undertaker,' and I shall do what business may come my way. I shall prepare bodies for coffin or care for them through to grave, or I will soothe the dying fears of any who might need me."

"I shall study embalming, and as soon as I become proficient in that I will begin the handling of all cases that come to me. I shall then open regular undertaking parlors in Oakland and I will do anything that may come to me that line, though I shall aim to handle only cases in which my services as a woman are desired."

"To me there is nothing disagreeable in the work. There is nothing horrible, on the contrary, I regard my work as most sacred and a mission of mercy."

San Francisco Examiner.

No Women Need Apply.

An astonishing example of apparent row mindedness with respect to women has been developed in the adjutant general's office at Washington. It appears that a few months ago the civil service commission called a special examination for the purpose of finding, if possible, a qualified person for the position of translator of modern languages the adjutant general's office, then adjutant. The place is an exceedingly difficult one to fill, and the salary is ably low when the necessary attainments of the incumbent are considered. Among the requisites are a perfect knowledge of four modern languages in addition to English, an ability to do writing in all of them with equal facility as English; to be a skilled proofreader; to thoroughly understand modern library methods, including classification of books, cataloguing, indexing, and so on, and to have a knowledge of every composition. Notwithstanding the salary for the exercise of these varied accomplishments is but \$1,500, a number of men and one woman applied for the position.

Credible as it may seem, it is recorded that an intimation was given by the adjutant general that a woman would not be welcome in the position, but as that body does not quize sex in dealing with applicants,

this broad hint, if it was made, was not acted on, but, according to dispatches, the examination was much more difficult than the advertisements indicated. Of those who attempted the examination all failed except the one woman applicant, who received a creditable average and was given a certificate.

Supplied with this document and having a personal character above reproach, it is natural to suppose that she would have been promptly commissioned, notwithstanding the preference of the office for a man, but this is apparently not the case, for, notwithstanding her examination showed her to be fully qualified for the place, she was, according to dispatches, curtly informed that no woman could have the place under any circumstances. It is inconceivable that such an exhibition of narrow mindedness can still exist in any of the large government departments at Washington. Women have been found to excel the men in many branches of government work, and this particular woman was evidently, from the manner in which she passed the civil service examination, fully qualified for the post she desired to fill, and there seems no good reason why she should not have been given that which she fairly earned.—Philadelphia Ledger.

The Rainy Day Club.

The Rainy Day club was entertained the other day by Miss E. Marguerite Lindley at the Murray Hill hotel. From the large number of prominent women present it is evident that the common sense idea of comfort in dress is becoming popular.

Mrs. Mary Sargent Hopkins of Boston was elected fourth vice president and Mrs. L. E. Bascom recording secretary. The literary portion of the exercises was practical and instructive.

Miss Lillian Mack of the Newark News made a witty speech on "Dress For the Business Woman." She adopted the costume three years ago. At first she was ridiculed and lost a beau because of it, but the absolute comfort and freedom of the dress and the growing respect of the men with whom she had associated quite compensated her for being an innovator.

Mrs. Harriet Hubbard Ayer extolled the excellence of the new dress and said if she could afford it she would give away the dress she now wears to church and replace it with a short skirt. "Sensible men like it," she said, "and that means considerable to us women."

Miss Lila Lockwood of Mount Vernon spoke of the proper dress in school. As the head of a fine school she was opposed to any kind of uniform, but encouraged low heels, lightweight dresses, without corsets, and dainty white aprons. These latter she declared to be a great incentive to neatness.

Dr. Eloise Church was asked to speak on costumes for trained nurses, but she said their dress was already perfect and needed no comment.

Mrs. Bertha Welby has worn her short dress constantly since last October, and in consequence has not had the sore throat or cold from which she generally suffers at this season. In the absence of Mrs. Stanton Laurence, Miss Lindley spoke on the home side of the question.

Among the other women who took part in the discussion were Mrs. M. Ravenhill, Miss Louise Stevens, Mrs. Kate Bostwick and Miss Katherine Blake. An exhibition of artistically made short skirts for rainy weather was held in parlor G, while in the seclusion of another room Miss Mack gave a closer view of her costume, which combined comfort and economy.—New York Tribune.

Practical Dress Suggestions.

In these days, when the changes of fashion are so frequent and often so diametrically opposed to those preceding what is latest, economy suggests the purchase of a few very handsome rather than many articles of dress, and also the exercise of considerable ingenuity in adapting these gowns effectively to special and varied occasions. I wish to give a few practical suggestions to women whose positions in life, even if they are not wealthy, oblige them to be well gowned. In the first place, make it a rule to invariably be well supplied with the best of gloves, boots and at least one handsome dress bonnet, which, in these days of wonderfully reasonable shapes and garnitures, need not be at all extravagant. Always have a fresh pair of black or dark gloves to save the wear of your lighter ones, and take special care of both in removing them. Never roll them up; always pull them into shape while warm from the hands.

A rich black silk, satin or brocaded gown of small design stylishly made is a background for endless changes in dress. Creamy laces caught here and there with pretty jeweled lacepins; little velvet bolero jackets stamped and wrought with silks or beads and spangled; fanciful collars of colored velvet, with lace, jet or chiffon trimmings; a pair of deep lace cuffs, with a bertha to match; a fichu of black point d'esprit, with ruffles of the same caught here and there with cherry satin ribbons; graceful braces formed of Persian passementerie, with a girle corresponding; pretty garnitures of beads and embroidery in the form of yokes; square necked plastrons, breton bretelles banded across the front, full neck ruches of lisse, mousseline de sole, or net, with wrist frills to match, with all these and many more charming confections, a plain dark or black gown is multiplied constantly as well as transformed.—New York Post.

The Girls of '97.

If our grandmothers had been called upon to endure the constant strain and the wear and tear that make the existence of a modern society girl, they would quickly have degenerated into neurasthenia, because they had not been educated to such a life. The women of the olden time were not addicted to excess of brain work. They lived self contained, uneventful lives, and their physical powers were more than sufficient for their mental needs.

But as the conditions have changed

so have our ideas, and as the demand of the age upon our energies has increased we have gradually learned how to build up our forces to meet the stress.

The girl of '97 has strong resistance to offer to nervous strain because of her constant and thorough bodily training, which has developed her powers, hardened her muscles and given her the ability of depending upon her own judgment as to how much work she can safely do or how much excitement she can wisely bear.

Our grandmothers were constantly weighed down with the thought of what they ought not to do. Today our girls look with serene, wide open eyes on the world opening so broadly before them, and they are gloriously confident that all paths are free to them, and every one is wishing them godspeed.

As the human race insists on progressing, it becomes the duty of each one who makes a profession of physical training to do his utmost to enable the bodies of women to keep pace with the march of their ideas.—Baroness Rose Posse in Boston Globe.

Women in England.

The present position of the woman suffrage question in the United Kingdom may be described as that of a deadlock, and the prospect of any change in the existing situation cannot be regarded as other than exceedingly remote.

We seem indeed to be so far from any practical solution that it may appear foolish even to hazard a conjecture as to the future prospects of the question. There are nevertheless strange turns in the affairs of men, and should popular sentiment, irritated by the ludicrous anomalies of our franchise, declare itself at some no very distant date in favor of manhood suffrage it may be that the partisans of woman suffrage would find themselves in an unexpected way the masters of the situation.

Those who are at present divided by the details of the measure which they have at heart would coalesce in the common cause and would probably find themselves powerful enough to bar the passage of any bill in favor of manhood suffrage except on their own terms. Those terms would be, of course, dictated by the progressive and democratic body which calls itself the Franchise league. We might, in short, suddenly find ourselves, whether married or single, not only free to exercise the parliamentary and local franchises, but also eligible for all elective offices and consequently free from any legal bar to a seat in the house of commons.—Lady Dilke in North American Review.

The Puritan Effect.

Unless the hair is rolled in a pompadour off the forehead and dressed low over the ears it cannot lay claim to distinction or fashion this season.

The great ladies in Paris who set the fashions are wearing their dusky tresses so loosely rolled or braided as to almost border on carelessness. Long strands loosely braided and caught up at the nape of the neck or wavy, fluffy coils, seemingly escaping all confines, are accepted Parisian styles for dressy occasions.

A pretty fashion that is gaining favor in this country is the finishing Puritan touch to French coiffure, that is fetching to a degree, because so quaintly unexpected. The hair is rolled away from the face in a wavy pompadour, drooping low over the ear in a suggestion of tiny, coquettish curls. So much for Paris.

The New England touch is observed in the smooth, neat little bow of hair on the crown of the head, lending an air of primness and dignity to the entire coiffure, in bewitching contrast to the dancing curls. With this style of hair-dressing is invariably worn either two bunches of small flowers or two separate clusters of roses or two large blossoms, one back of the right ear in the curls and one resting against the precise little bow of hair on the crown of the head.—New York Journal.

The Montreal Council.

The Montreal Local Council of Women, according to latest returns, has now a numerical standing of almost 3,000 individual members. It would be difficult to exaggerate the potential strength of so large and representative a body. There was a full attendance at the annual meeting of the council, held Jan. 21, in the Y. M. C. A. hall. The president, Mrs. Drummond, addressed the meeting, and a report of the year's work was presented by Mrs. H. C. Scott, who is acting as recording secretary. His excellency the governor general brought greetings from Lady Aberdeen.

A woman in Kansas has applied the arguments of the temperance people to the wearing of corsets and has written to the governor asking him to recommend in his message a law forbidding their use, sale and manufacture.

The Scotch professor who writes to a New York paper to assert that women have no intellectual discretion in the matter of literary tastes ought to read a few of Miss Agnes Repplier's essays.—Boston Globe.

The women of Hartford have subscribed a considerable sum for a statue of Harriet Beecher Stowe. The statue has been designed by W. Clarke Noble and represents Mrs. Stowe as she was in middle life.

The equal suffrage women of Topeka, Kan., are working in behalf of a measure that provides that an institution be maintained by the state to cure those addicted to the use of liquor.

A new departure for Chicago was the election of a woman to be a bank director. At the recent election of the Calumet National bank Ann Fitzgibbon was made one of the directors.

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-A. Alwood is up from Eldena today.
-L. Halstead went to Rockford Saturday.
-S. G. Austin is in Chicago on business.
-Albert L. Hatch went to Sterling today.
-Frank Kearns left for Dakota yesterday.
-John Schatzman was home over Sunday.
-G. M. Leser of Louisville, Ky., is in our city.
-Mrs. Milton Bryan of Everett street is ill.
-I. Schreiber of the Enterprise store is in Chicago.
-There are at present five prisoners in the county jail.
-Frank Lawton was here from Genoa over Sunday.
-Ernest R. Hall of Evanston is at the Nachusa House.
-Albin Northberg returned last night from Belvidere.
-Charles Hartzell is here from Franklin Grove today.
-Frank Rosbrook went south this morning on a business trip.
-James Phalen and Thomas Coffey spent yesterday in Woosung.
-Mrs. W. B. Page and son Roland went to Chicago this morning.
-Dan Timothy, of Franklin Grove, was at Hotel Bishop Saturday.
-Judge A. F. Wingert and wife are down from Mt. Carroll on a visit.
-George Duis, of Richmond, Indiana, is here on a visit at his old home.
-Matthew Perkins of Bureau Co., was at the court house this morning.
-That pyramid of fancy candy work and cloth in E. J. Ryan's window is very handsome.
-Miss Goldie Boyer is now in the dry goods department at the Chicago Department store.
-Dr. Henry Utley came up from Springfield Saturday to spend a day or so with his mother.
-Nicholas Kronewitter has returned to Mishawaka, Indiana, after a visit here with relatives.
-The Catholic church choir will meet this evening at 7:30 sharp at the organist's residence.
-Frank Wheeler, of Pawpaw, arrived this noon to take his position in the county clerk's office.
-G. H. Shaw who is in the store of W. H. Fargo & Co., Chicago, was here Saturday on business and to see our city.

-The Duquesne Special bicycle will be handled this year by R. A. Rodesch, and he is giving out handsome circulars.
-L. W. Loescher and W. Martin, with lady friends, drove to Sterling yesterday and took dinner at the Galt house.
-Milton Green left his team and wagon at Savanna and came home Saturday night, whence he returns this evening.
-Services at St. Luke's church on Tuesday evening at 7:30. Rev. Arthur Williams of Christ church, Woodlawn, will preach the sermon.
-Miss Ada Cartright, daughter of Judge Cartright, came down from Oregon today to take a course in shorthand in Steinmann's Institute.
-Advertisements changed this evening: Joseph Sterns; The Plymouth Clothing House; J. H. Morris & Son; Dixon Music Co.; A. H. Tillson.
-Read the bill from the Plymouth Clothing House folded in this issue. By a careful reading you will learn that they have what you want and at prices to suit.
-Albert Aswege has arrived from Moline; called by the death of his father yesterday in South Dixon. The funeral will be held at 2 o'clock tomorrow afternoon.
-W. W. Hyde is now permanently employed in the abstract department of A. S. Hyde & Co. His place in County Clerk's office is filled by Frank Wheeler of Pawpaw.
-Mrs. James Heaton, of the Bend and her daughter Mrs. Ben. Miller of the Woodford farm started yesterday for South Dakota, called by the serious illness of a daughter and sister there.
-That unsightly rag hanging down nearly to the height of a carriage top from a wire over-head at the corner of First and Galena should be removed. It is a relic of the late unpleasantness; the campaign.

IF.

What to me are worlds of splendor
If the splendor of thine eyes
Gaze not in the depths of mine, love,
Where thy image lies?
What are days without thy presence,
What the nights without thy care,
What to me are joys of heaven
If thou art not there?
Passion's kiss on red lips dieth
If the red lips' kiss is cold.
Scanty is the lily's perfume
Till the buds unfold.
There can be no strain of music
Till the player touch the chord
And the master's thought is silent
Till it finds the word.
Worlds would darken into ruin
If the sun should cease to shine.
What are life and love to me, then,
If bereft of thine?
-Emily Selinger in Boston Transcript.

SPOONS.

The Date of Their Origin Unknown, They Are So Very Ancient.
If you desire to know about the scarcity of really reliable data on the history of spoons, take down your handbooks and encyclopedias and see if it doesn't take you a long while to learn anything concerning their origin, "nativity," etc. In fact, the antiquarians do not pretend to give us anything of value in that line. It is admitted that they are "very ancient," but just exactly how old they are and by whom and where they were first used are points upon which we are left completely in the dark. Creighton says, "Spoons must have been a very ancient invention, for a Saxon spoon of perforated silver gilt, ornamented with gems, was found in a grave at Sarre, Thanet."
When forks were unknown, spoons played a very important part at the table. Spoons of the thirteenth century, and even later, had handles terminating in a knob, knot, acorn or other odd and cumbersome devices. About the period of the restoration, of which so much is said in English history, a great change was made in the forms of spoons. In some of the unique patterns the "spoon" part was divided into two, three and even four parts, and the handle always split or twisted and turned up instead of down and back. Spoons of that period were all blunt instead of being pointed as in the forms generally seen at present. They continued short and blunt down to the time of George I, when they were first made pointed and had the handles turned down instead of up.
About the year 1500 what were known as "apostle spoons" were introduced. They were so called because they had the figures of the 12 apostles carved upon their handles. They were generally given by sponsors to children at their time of baptism. The wealthy presented the entire 12, those who could not afford to indulge in such extravagance giving one or more, according as they felt able.
The most curious and remarkable spoon in the world perhaps is a "coronation spoon," preserved among the other royal relics in the tower of London. The bowl is of gold and the handle of silver. The handle is split down the middle and set with all kinds of precious stones. The relic is valued at about £20,000, or upward of \$100,000.
-St. Louis Republic.

An Eskimo Child.

A little Eskimo child will bite through the skin of a walrus as easily as an English child will bite an apple, although the skin of this creature is from half an inch to 1 1/4 inches in thickness and very much resembles an elephant's hide, and not only bite it, but swallow it, and yet not suffer from indigestion.

Amusement, Business and Local Items
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Wednesday and Thursday next.

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International Vaudeville Co. Wednesday and Thursday nights is full of choice specialties and just such a show as you would see at the Schiller Theater of Chicago and at less prices. See and have a jolly evening.

Go to Charles Eastman's for cut flowers. 441f.

Chart open to-night for the International Vaudeville Co. at Eastman's store.

We never have sold a salve when people were more willing to invest 25c than in Dr. Frank's wonderful salve for the eyes and general use. We guarantee it and give a sheet of popular music, worth from 25c to 70c, free with each box. Rowland Bros, Druggists, Dixon. 8424

Miss Willette Charters, operatic vocalist, with the International Vaudeville Co., has a delightfully pleasing voice, and renders a choice selection of popular melodies in a most creditable manner. Opera House, Wednesday and Thursday nights.

A. I. Gage is now running hacks to all trains, or any part of the city. Day calls leave at Parker's Drug Store, telephone 45; night calls at Hotel Bishop, Telephone 135. 261f

Among the numerous features of entertainment offered by the International Vaudeville Company, none come with better endorsement than the charming and vivacious little Grayson Sisters. They render a number of pleasing songs, and wind up their act with "buck" and "wing" dancing that is unequalled. Opera House, Wednesday and Thursday evenings.

Erastus Courtright would impress upon taxpayers the necessity of prompt attention. Don't leave the settlement of your personal property tax till the last minute, but come at once to Frank Cortright's grocery store, East First street, where the books are and while you can receive prompt attention. 611f

Go to Brown & Thomann for the best photographic work in the city. 124 First St. 91110

Hacks to trains or to any part of the city. Leave orders at L. E. Edwards store, Galena avenue; evenings or Sundays at the Nachusa House; or telephone to stable on third street at any time. Telephones No. 133.

141f URIAH STROUP.
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French Tailor seystem thoroughly understood. I am prepared to cut and make latest styles dresses and all garments. Work guaranteed. Will be pleased to have you give me a call. MRS. IDA WAGGONER, Dixon, Ill., 17 1st street, upstairs. 79124

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A fresh 10-cent cigar for 5 cents at J. R. Pollock's, 103 Galena Ave. 941f

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300 Ladies and Girls with small feet wanted, who can wear number 2 1/2, 3 1/2 and 4 shoes, at half price, at LOVELAND & STITTELEY'S, closing out shoe sale. 1001f

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GIRL wanted in the kitchen, at Gents' residence at the College. 941f MRS. M. J. MALONEY.

CLEAN Cotton Rags at this office. 831f

FIRST Class rooms and board reasonable, at 371 South Galena avenue. 721f

TO Exchange Furniture for a Bicycle. A. NORTHBERG, Star Restaurant. 711f

FOR RENT.

FIVE ROOMS south of the C. & N. W. depot \$5.00 per month. (11) EMMA GROH.

BASEMENT in the new Beier Building and five rooms on second floor suitable for offices. Enquire of WILLIAM BEIER at Bakery, No. 25 First St. 881f

APRIL 1st, Store No. 9, First St. Apply at 159 Second St. 891f

7 ROOM House in Riverview, at \$10 per month. Inquire at Justice E. B. BAKER's office. 381f

FOR SALE.

ABOUT 500 pairs of shoes left. Selling far below cost - at our clearing out sale. LOVELAND & STITTELEY. 981f

HOUSEHOLD GOODS.-Complete outfit, also double-seated buggy. Must be sold by April 1st. Call on B. Edelstein, 301 Cor. Crawford and 4th St. 911f

A SINGLE Buggy. Nearly new. Will sell for one half its actual value (for Cash) if taken at once. Call at Paul G. Lord's Carriage Shop. 861f

30 TON Baled Oak Scraw. Will sell on the place by ball or ton. W. D. DIEW near Milk Factory. 721f

HOUSE and lot in North Dixon for sale at a bargain. Call on J. F. SANFORD. 511f

ANNOUNCEMENT.

THROUGH the solicitation of friends, I hereby announce myself a candidate for the office of Town Collector. Not THEODORE MOELLER.

THROUGH the solicitations of my many friends I have been asked to present myself as a candidate for the office of Highway Commissioner for the Township of Dixon. I hereby announce myself for that office and solicit the support of the voters of Dixon. Not JOHN H. HOWELL.

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for the office of Highway Commissioner and ask the vote of my friends at the Spring election. Respectfully, ERNEST WERNICK. Not

I announce myself as a candidate for the office of Tax Collector of the town of Dixon at the coming spring election; and will be grateful for the suffrages of my friends. Not JOSEPH RUELAND.

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for the office of collector of the town of Dixon at the coming spring election. A. E. PHILLIPS. Not

LEUEL MULKINS will be a candidate for Town Collector at the coming spring election and solicits the support of his friends. Not

I SHALL be a candidate for re-election to the office of Assessor at the coming spring election, and will be grateful for the assistance of my friends. JOHN E. MOYER. Not

I HEREBY announce myself as a candidate for the office of Assessor at the coming spring election. Geo. R. WOODRUFF. Not

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the office of constable and ask for the vote of the people at town meeting April 6th. Respectfully WILLIAM COFFEY. Not

WISHING to be by the votes of the people continued in the office of constable I hereby announce myself a candidate before the next town meeting. Respectfully JOHN BEEBE. Not

I HEREBY announce myself as a candidate for the office of Collector of the town of Dixon, and solicit the support of the voters of Dixon. DUBLEY WOODWORTH.

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The fac-simile signature of *Charles H. Fletcher* is on every wrapper.

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We are going to show something new again in the bicycle line, with improvements that are not shown in any other wheel. It will be to your interest to see us before you purchase your '97 wheel. Catalogues free. Call and see us.

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